

Begin non-committal on new settlements Dayan and Arab FM's to attend New York planning for Geneva

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WASHINGTON. — Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan and his Arab counterparts will attend the September opening of the UN General Assembly in New York, during which time the Carter administration hopes to lay the final groundwork for reconvening the Geneva conference later in the fall. This will follow Secretary of State Cyrus Vance's eight-day swing through the Middle East early next month.

This is the programme worked out between Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and President Jimmy Carter during their talks here. Dayan can be expected to meet with Carter, Vance and other senior American officials during his stay. The respective foreign ministers of Egypt, Jordan and Syria — all of whom are also planning on coming to New York — will also meet with the Americans.

Begin, whose talks included some five hours with the President, departed from the long-standing position of the former Labour government by informing Carter that it was not necessary for Washington and Jerusalem to reach full agreement on the final outlines of a settlement in advance of Geneva. Begin recognizes that the U.S. and Israel have fundamental differences on the question of borders and Palestinians, which are unlikely to be resolved.

The government of former premier Yitzhak Rabin had made participation at Geneva conditional on close U.S.-Israel agreement on these key issues — a stand which Israel's new Likud leadership regards as mistaken. A source close to the Prime Minister charged that the Labour



Prime Minister Begin, flanked by Sen. Edmund Muskie (Dem., Maine), during a breakfast in Washington yesterday.

position invited U.S. pressure on Israel. He said that America's views on final borders and Palestinians were well known and that if Israel wanted to reach full agreement with the U.S. on these points, the Americans would exert pressure on Israel to accept their position.

Therefore, Begin explained to the President that Israel is prepared to return to Geneva even without having reconciled its differences with

the U.S. The President is said to have accepted this new Israeli position, and, therefore, he is now moving ahead towards Geneva later this year.

No one here is diminishing the difficulties involved. Both the U.S. and Israel want to work out as many procedural questions as possible in advance. But the Prime Minister, by submitting his detailed proposals for

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Egypt claims heavy damage inflicted in battle with Libya

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Egyptian and Libyan ground and air forces clashed in the western desert yesterday, with Cairo claiming destruction of two Libyan warplanes and 70 armoured vehicles, including 40 tanks.

The long-smouldering tension on the border between the two countries exploded early in the morning as Egypt launched what it called a "retaliatory raid" in response to Libyan "provocation and attempted sabotage."

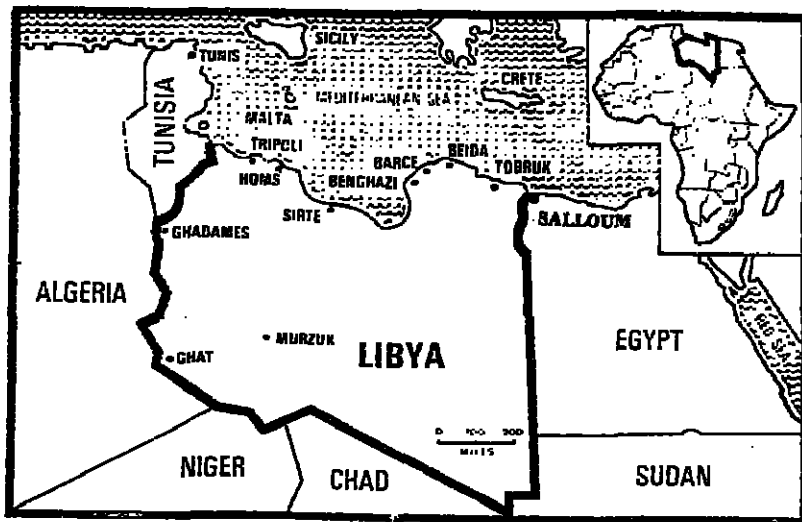
An Egyptian military spokesman said that his country's armed forces have captured 12 members of the Libyan elite 9th armoured division, along with 34 "paramilitary" saboteurs. The spokesman said that the two sides had thrown their warplanes into yesterday's battles, which stopped at 3 p.m.

He further disclosed that the two sides had been locked in armed conflict on three other occasions this month — July 12, 16 and 19.

Yesterday's fighting came as little surprise, since U.S. ambassador Herman Eilts reported to Washington as early as last month that President Anwar Sadat was nearing a strike against Libya. The Egyptians at the time did not hide their preparations for a raid against Libyan "terrorist bases" especially those adjacent to the border with Egypt.

Sadat's ultimate aim has been to bring down Libya's Mu'ammer Gaddafi, but yesterday's military operation might have an adverse effect on the Egyptian leader's own standing both at home and in the Arab world. Sadat and Gaddafi have long been engaged in a verbal war. Their conflict stems from Sadat's reluctance to join Libya in a union in which Gaddafi demanded a key position. Gaddafi was later angered that Sadat had not informed him in advance of the 1973 Yom Kippur War.

The dispute was aggravated when Gaddafi provided the Soviets with privileges Sadat had denied them in



Egypt. The Egyptians then charged that both the Libyans and the Soviets were plotting to overthrow Sadat. The latest of these charges was voiced last week when Cairo accused Libya of backing an extremist Moslem movement in Egypt.

The Egyptians attributed yesterday's clashes, however, to Libya's repeated "aggressive" operations on the northern side of the border which runs from the Mediterranean south across a desert separating the two countries.

A military spokesman in Cairo said that these operations reached a climax yesterday morning when a Libyan armoured force, supported by artillery, advanced towards the town of Sidi Barrani, "obliging the Egyptian forces to check the aggressive column and harass it" west of the village of Mossada (on the Libyan side of the border).

"Libyan planes tried to raid our border posts and Egyptian air defences downed two planes," the spokesman said, adding: "With the entrance of the Libyan air force, it was inevitable that the Egyptian air force also should become engaged to protect the Egyptian ground forces."

The Egyptians are short of spare parts and maintenance of all Soviet weaponry is reported to be poor.

The spokesman said that the border clashes began on July 12, when four Libyans armed with automatic rifles and explosives were arrested in a car by Egyptian frontier guards. He added that the four confessed they had been sent by the Libyan intelligence for sabotage inside Egypt.

The spokesman said that four days later, a Libyan patrol opened fire on one of the Egyptian border posts, some 100 km. south of Sidi Barrani.

Last Thursday, he said, the Egyptian and Libyan armies exchanged artillery fire for four hours, during which nine Egyptian soldiers were killed, and about 20 Libyan vehicles were destroyed.

In the ground and air battles yesterday several Egyptian soldiers were reported wounded. The Cairo-controlled Middle East News Agency said that the Libyans suffered heavy casualties.

An official Libyan statement accused Egypt of "direct aggression" and said the Libyan people intend to defend their land "and the sanctity of their soil."

A statement from Tripoli said Libya had been patient with Egyptian "provocations" for more than a year and a half but that Cairo intentionally frustrated all efforts to mediate disputes between the two

countries and had kept its forces within Libyan villages.

The broadcast labelled "a baseless lie and completely false" an Egyptian account of the conflict saying "its purpose was to mislead innocent Egyptian officers and men and also to mislead the Egyptian people and to distract them from the serious internal problems they are experiencing."

Irish Goodman, Post Military Correspondent, adds:

There is little doubt among military analysts here that the Egyptians could execute a decisive and quick victory over the Libyans if Sadat decided to commit his military machine to the fray.

According to the latest available data, the Libyans have 22,000 men under arms, but only one operational tank brigade; two brigades of mobile infantry; one commando battalion; three artillery battalions; one brigade of national guard, and two battalions of anti-aircraft cannon.

They have 715 tanks, not all of which are operational. All are of Soviet manufacture — 200 of them latest model T-62s with the rest being T-55 and T-54s. Libya has 129 fighter aircraft, including two squadrons of Mig-23s and two more squadrons of French Mirage 5s. Other aircraft in service include 30 Mirage 3Es and 10 Mirage 3ERs. Most of the aircraft have no crews and overall maintenance is reported lacking.

The Egyptians have 285,000 men under arms, with three armoured divisions, three mobile infantry divisions and five regular infantry divisions. Other land forces include two battalions of ground-to-ground missiles; two brigades of heavy mortars; four brigades of artillery; six commando units; one parachute brigade; and seven more mobile infantry brigades with varied vehicles.

Egypt has 1,100 T-55 and T-54 tanks and another 820 T-62s in addition to 2,500 tracked personnel-carrying armoured vehicles and 1,300 assorted cannon and mortars.

The Egyptians have 30,000 men in the air force with a total of 485 fighter aircraft, apart from nine operational squadrons of Mig-21 interceptors and 635 assorted ground-to-air missiles.

Histadrut work stoppage lacks wide support

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
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TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut yesterday attempted demonstration of strength against the government — and appeared wanting.

It had called for meetings in all places of work throughout the country, except in the defence establishment, public transportation, and essential services such as hospitals, to protest the government's economic policy and recent price rises. Some one million wage-earners were to have attended the meetings between 10 and 11 a.m.

The Histadrut had called the meetings to "explain" its position partly because nearly a third of its members are Likud supporters. Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel anticipates struggles with the Likud government and wants to solidify his ranks.

The workers were divided yesterday. Some argued the Histadrut's call was essentially an Alignment attempt to undermine the government.

The Jerusalem Post could not substantiate Histadrut reports that the move was a great success.

Histadrut Central Committee Member Aharon Harel told me that he was "encouraged" by the fact that hundreds of thousands of workers attended the meetings. He claimed this was particularly commendable because it was not clear whether the workers would be paid for the hour spent at the meeting.

Meshel can obviously count on the economic power of the Histadrut-owned enterprises, the nuisance value of shutting some Kupa Holim services as was done yesterday, and the Alignment supporters who gave him an absolute majority in the June 21 elections. But many others were reluctant to respond to his call.

"Prices went up 1,000 times in the past and nothing was done," Hanna Litzky, a Likud-supporting clerk in the Tel Aviv municipality, said.

"The Histadrut never backed us. Suddenly when Begin is abroad and the new government is trying to get straight what the previous filthy government did... they come to incite. It hurts them to see Begin succeeding in rebuilding what they've destroyed," she added.

Israel Radio reported that many workers' committees had phoned its studios to report they were not holding staff meetings.

Bank Leumi branches were open throughout the country. A staff committee member said this was a reprisal against the Histadrut for not backing their past demands for wage increases.

At the Elite factory in Ramat Gan

where the protest was partial, a television crew filming a meeting was greeted with shouts of "Begin."

The elevators in the Tel Aviv municipality did not operate, but at the tax collecting department on the third floor two secretaries were still at work at 10:20 a.m. A staff committee member asked them to stop. One complied, but the other said "O.I. really, stop it. What are we, children? I don't want to identify myself with any party." But then her superior, Oscur Wald, instructed her to stop, and she did.

Another secretary told me that a staff committee member had locked her out of her office to make sure she did not work.

Meanwhile, the clerks met further down the corridor. It turned out to be a Likud-Alignment shouting match.

Ezra Oren, an Alignment supporter, declared that the Histadrut would not let the government hurt wage earners. "We have a right to demand an increase in the c-p-i allowance to compensate us for the price rises — to be able to buy bread, milk and cheese," he said. "Prices will rise again. You'll pay more for shoes. Water and electricity bills will be higher."

Another speaker, Sa'adia Yosef of the Likud, claimed that his Party's faction in the Histadrut has demanded full compensation. The countrywide meetings were called because of Mapam pressure, he said. "Talk to the point," Menahem Lukatch, an Alignment man,

shouted from his perch on a grey filing cabinet.

"Don't raise your honey Socialist flag at our expense," Yosef called back. Referring to the new government's measures, he said it is "we who are bringing you a solution and not your demagogic Socialism." At that, some clerks booed and others clapped.

The meeting ended at 10:30. Some milled about. The secretary who was told to leave her desk came to this reporter munching a sandwich. "I didn't strike," she said. "I'm only having a coffee break."

In all, about 2,000 workers took part in the work stoppage in the Tel Aviv area, according to Itim. No major disruptions were reported from Ben-Gurion Airport.

Aaron Sittner adds: Except for employees of some banks and in the municipality, Jerusalem's workers ignored the Histadrut call for a strike.

Touring the city's main industrial areas I found most workers unaware of the Histadrut's call. Encountering some Jerusalem Labour Council officials on the street, I asked where I could find a closed factory. The officials replied, "That's exactly what we're looking for, too."

Similar worker apathy was noted at Hebrew University, one of the capital's biggest employers. "What strike?" an administration officer asked.

But an aide to Mayor Teddy Kollek

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Jordan sees 'nothing new' in Begin's peace pronouncements

Post-Mideast Affairs Editor
Jordan last night took the lead among neighbouring Arab countries in rejecting Premier Menachem Begin's peace pronouncements in Washington, charging that these reflected Israel's attempt to avoid a durable settlement in the region.

The pronouncements did not constitute a peace scheme, an official government spokesman said in Amman. He added that Begin had come up with nothing new, continuing to ignore the two focal issues in the conflict with the Arabs: "the rights of the Palestinian people and an end to the occupation."

The spokesman went on to say that neither was there anything new in Begin's procedural proposals for peace negotiations.

Shortly before the statement was broadcast, King Hussein had telephoned Syrian President Hafez Assad, but the subject of the conver-

sation was not disclosed. The Syrian state radio described Begin's pronouncements as reflecting "Israeli preoccupation." The radio cautioned that the Middle East crisis was not "back to square one."

Both Jordan and Syria nevertheless indicated that they were awaiting the arrival of U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance at the beginning of August for further clarifications on Begin's talks in Washington and on the prospects of reconvening the Geneva peace conference.

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat is likely to comment on Begin's pronouncements in a speech he is scheduled to deliver today on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the 1952 revolution in Egypt.

Foreign Minister Imad Fahmy yesterday met with U.S. Ambassador Herman Eilts for the

second time in as many days. The two were said to have reviewed the results of the Begin visit to Washington.

Fahmy yesterday told the Cairo weekly magazine "al-Jumhuriya" that Egypt insists on the participation of the Palestine Liberation Organization in the Geneva conference. The PLO presence at the conference has been categorically rejected by Begin.

But at the same time, unidentified sources at the foreign ministry were quoted by Reuters as saying that the Egyptians feel that everything, including the preparations for Geneva, was going according to schedule and that "Begin's visit to Washington has put no obstacles in the way" of holding the conference.

'Gang of four' out of party

PEKING. — Mao Tse-tung's widow, Chiang Ching, and the three other disgraced Chinese radicals who make up the "Gang of Four" have been expelled from the Communist Party, wall posters here announced yesterday.

If officially confirmed, it will mean a sentence of virtual political death for the four, who are accused of having plotted to seize power after Mao's death last September.

A wall poster in a central Peking side street said the decision was by the plenum of the Central Committee, which is believed to have met last weekend.

The posters, which were later covered up, also hailed the plenum's "wise decision" to rehabilitate former vice-premier Teng Hsiao-

ping, the main victim of the four in last year's power struggle.

No official comment on the posters was available; but political observers are convinced of their truth.

Meanwhile, Yugoslavia's Tanjug news agency reported yesterday that Teng has already been reinstated as vice-premier, but that Chinese sources say his real power will remain limited. In a dispatch from Peking, Tanjug said the Chinese sources believe the 74-year-old Teng, who was also restored to his former posts of vice-chairman of the Communist Party and chief of staff of the armed forces, will "devote himself above all to work in the party and the leadership of the army."

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Bnei Brak clashes feared tonight as secularists rally

Non-religious move to secede

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BNEI BRAK. — This primarily Orthodox town faces a long, hot night beginning at sundown today, as non-religious residents and their allies from around the country plan to demonstrate here against the decision to ban Sabbath traffic on a section of Rehov Hashomer.

It is feared that a secularist demonstration tonight will provoke a clash with Orthodox residents. The secular groups also plan a "trial drive" through Rehov Hashomer tomorrow at 11.00 a.m.

Neighbourhood committees that claim to represent "the 30,000 non-religious residents of Bnei Brak" yesterday decided to "secede from the municipality" and to launch a tax boycott to demonstrate their independence.

Secular activists announced yesterday that their protest would proceed as scheduled even with a police permit. At the same time, municipal workers were busy putting up traffic signs that ban the entry of all vehicles on Sabbath into the disputed section of Rehov Hashomer.

The new traffic signs went up following a Transport Ministry decision to close the section of the street which runs through the heart of the ultra-Orthodox Ramat Aharon housing estate to Sabbath and holiday traffic.

Akiva Sharon, of the Freedom of Movement Committee, said yesterday that his group has called a demonstration in Rehov Hashomer for 7 o'clock tonight, just after the beginning of the Sabbath.

Supporters from around the country were urged to join non-religious residents of the area "so that this will become a mass protest. We have applied to the Ramat Gan police for a permit, although we know to begin with that it would not be granted," Sharon said. "We decided to go through the formalities just the same. The lack of a permit will not deter us."

Asked if the scheduled Sabbath demonstration does not constitute a deliberate provocation of religious sensibilities, Sharon replied that his people "will not resort to violence, but neither are we afraid of it in view of all that has happened thus far."

District Police Commissioner Moshe Tiomkin has said the police will allow no demonstrations and "will enforce the Ministry of Transport decision one way or the other. We hope that there will be no attempts to disturb the peace, but if these do occur, we shall deal with them. Police will be deployed at the site to meet any eventuality."

Bnei Brak municipal sources accused "left-wing outside agitators" of attempting "to fan the flames and not let the issue disappear from the headlines, so that they can make political capital out of it."

Representatives of non-religious Bnei Brak neighbourhood committees and of the Freedom of Movement Committee, many of whose activists are out-of-town, met last night to work out a long-term campaign against the street closure.

According to Sharon, it was recommended that the non-religious sections of the town secede from Bnei Brak. It was not announced when this move might be made, but it was suggested that neighbouring non-religious municipalities be called upon to "adopt" the secessionist neighbourhoods and eventually annex them. One of the ways in which the envisaged secession would be expressed is a tax boycott.

Another suggestion is that the Rehov Hashomer battle be extended beyond the Bnei Brak city limits. "If the rights of secularist residents are infringed upon in this town, why should the rights of the religious in cities which are overwhelmingly non-religious be respected? They enjoy various privileges in other towns, against which we plan to act," Sharon said.

He pointed to the practice in some cities of not allowing traffic in front of major synagogues during Sabbath services. "We plan to drive there in protest. We will also disturb the religious in other ways. Their lives in other towns will not be as peaceful any more."



Police sappers on Rehov King George in downtown Jerusalem examine the bomb discovered by a passenger on the bus at right. (Sunphot: Yitzhak Eliahu)

Bomb on bus 9: Alert rider saves the day

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem police yesterday called on the public to be doubly alert in reporting suspicious objects in the wake of two bomb attempts in as many days. The latest incident occurred yesterday on Rehov King George at 11.15 a.m., when a passenger on a number 9 bus discovered a package under his seat. He reported it to the driver, who told the passengers to get off the bus and immediately called the police.

A team of police sappers identified the object as a bomb and closed the street. They removed the bomb and exploded it before it could do any harm.

On Wednesday a small blast went off in the Biblical Zoo, causing no damage, but frightening some of the animals.

The police warning came as shopkeepers and other members of the public showed increasing indifference to litter in the streets.

Only minutes after the police removed yesterday's bomb, a spot check in Rehov King George, two blocks up from where the bomb was found, showed three cartons and an empty paint can on the street. At least some of the litter had obviously been thrown from shops lining the streets.

Haifa bus stop walls are gone for good

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The walls of the city's bus stops, taken down by the municipality several weeks ago for cleaning, will not be put back. Only the narrow roofs of the stops remain to protect passengers.

The city spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that it was decided not to put the walls back because residents continually dirty and often damage them, resulting in heavy maintenance expenses. The walls were taken down for cleaning after being plastered by the political parties with propaganda for the Knesset election.

The issue of the bus stop walls reportedly will be raised at a forthcoming city council meeting by one of the councillors. Last week, *The Post* was told that the removal of the walls for cleaning purposes was only temporary.

The spokesman also announced that acting Mayor Yosef Blaustein recently met the local Egged transport chief, Aryeh Grosser, to discuss reduced bus service.

Blaustein informed Egged that numerous citizens' complaints were being made on the "grave situation" of public transport in the Haifa area, and stressed that "as the representatives of the public, we are unable to stand aside and not make demands for improvement."

Grosser promised to improve the service in August, the spokesman said.

Kollek, Safdie and Benvenisti draw battles lines over Mamilla

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Its anti-sniper barriers were pulled down 10 years ago, but Jerusalem's Mamilla district is this summer once again a no-man's land fought over by deadly serious opponents.

At issue is the shape and function of one of the most critical planning areas in the city — a 100-dunam tract, lying near the walls of the Old City, south of Jaffa Gate.

Located on the main approach between East and West Jerusalem, Mamilla can be either a vibrant bridge connecting the two parts of the city or a silent border separating them. Its north-south axis, pierced by the main road running through the city from Bethlehem to Ramallah, is also a major planning element.

Four years ago, a plan for redevelopment of the district was submitted to the municipality by Karta, a government-municipality company set up for this purpose. Last Friday, the District Planning Commission — the final station in the planning approval process — was to begin its long-delayed discussion of the proposal at the request of Mayor Teddy Kollek.

It put off the discussion, however, when Meron Benvenisti, deputy mayor in charge of planning, challenged Kollek by asserting that he plan was not sufficiently detailed or considered.

On one side of the dispute is Benvenisti and the city planning department, who believe that an urban renewal programme calling for the complete demolition of a neighbourhood is a planning unchristianism.

On the other side is the project's planner, Moshe Safdie, whose reputation has won him major projects on several continents, and Karta's director, former Mapam MK



Moshe Safdie's controversial design for the renewal of Jerusalem's Mamilla district. An underground garage will be located below the Old City wall at right. Housing occupies left foreground, and offices, hotels and commercial space fill the rear.

Elizer Ronen, who sees the plan as a major contribution to the city.

In the centre and swayed by arguments on both sides is the key figure of the mayor. He has supported the Safdie proposal, but now says that the plan should be "loosened up."

Although Kollek has been Benvenisti's patron in city government — tension between the two men over Mamilla has reached the point that they have not talked to each other for weeks, at least on this subject.

Safdie's proposal includes the following elements:

- Lowering Jaffa Road for 300 metres from Jaffa Gate to Zahal Square and covering the roadway with a pedestrian platform.
- A four-storey underground garage and bus terminal outside Jaffa Gate with parking space for 1,000 vehicles. Trucks bringing goods to the Old City would unload here.

• A commercial arcade along the present alignment of Mamilla Road providing a "living bridge" to the Old City markets.

• A green wedge extending through the heart of the district linking the National Park around the Old City with Independence Park in the city centre. Karta sees this as compensating for the 10 dunams of the National Park itself, which the plan would take for building purposes.

The plan was approved by the Local Planning Commission with some minor amendments early last year.

Although the proposal was passed on to the District Planning Commission for final consideration, Benvenisti was so convinced that it had no chance of implementation that he had his department quietly draw up an alternative planning concept based primarily on preservation of existing buildings but permitting some modest new construction as well.

Safdie's plan, says Benvenisti, is a brilliant solution, but the city fathers had given him the wrong problem to solve.

"Aesthetically, his plan is splendid," said Benvenisti last week, "but you have to think about the money and the effect on city life for the duration of the construction."

If the project were begun and soon founded for lack of funds, say opponents, this critical area in the heart of Jerusalem would become a functional and aesthetic wasteland. In addition, the vast sums that would be diverted to Mamilla, they argue, would condemn the existing Central Business District (CBD) to further deterioration.

Some opponents argue that the new construction would compete visually with the Old City walls. Others call it a "white elephant" that is economically unviable.

Safdie and Ronen declare that Benvenisti's minimalist approach to Mamilla is not the most "realistic" but actually the most expensive.

"The cost of the land and of relocation of residents and businesses is fixed, no matter what you put there afterwards," said Safdie this week. "The building rights that could be sold (in a minimalist approach) would be so small that the deficit would be three times what our deficit will be and this without providing the infrastructure we will provide."

As for preservation, he says, there are only six small buildings in the entire complex with any architectural merit and these are scattered.

"In five years, you will have 1,500 cars and buses trying to park here. If you want to accommodate them in street level parking lots you will be covering 60 of the 100 dunams in Mamilla with asphalt."

Ronen objects angrily to the white elephant label. "Is 200 apartments a lot in Jerusalem? Are two hotels to be built over the next 15-20 years a lot? We will build 33,000 square metres of commercial space, which is just 18,000 more than exists now. The CBD has close to a million square metres. This is peanuts."

"We will build 35,000 square metres of offices which is just 8 per cent of anticipated demand in the next 15 years," he said.

Although he has not yet revealed details of his own minimalist concept, Benvenisti said this week that its implementation could begin immediately. He suggested that Safdie himself be asked to do the detailed plan if the concept were accepted.

Safdie, however, has not been in communication with Benvenisti for weeks and has heard of his proposal only as a rumour.

Kollek believes that the differences between the two parties are smaller than both imagine.

"It's a matter of tactics and not so much a difference in principle," he says. "We can start with a part which is within our means at the moment, finish it and then decide what to build next."

Thus far, two-thirds of the 330 families and 360 commercial establishments in Mamilla have been relocated, an exercise which has cost some IL200m. in government funds. Another IL4m. has been spent on planning and on engineering studies.

The grounds for Benvenisti's objection to the plan's being heard by the District Commission are the failure of Karta to present a "phasing plan" showing how the project could be divided into several self-contained sections, each one of which could stand by itself if the other sections were not built. The commission is to decide in a few days whether to honour or to override Benvenisti's objections.

However, the execution of this or any other officially approved plan seems likely to be stalled indefinitely unless the principal figures involved talk to each other and come to some agreement.

Haiby back; says he'll sue 'slanderers'

Ashkelon Mayor Aharon Haiby arrived from New York yesterday, saying that he would sue those who had slandered him during his month's absence.

Haiby was incommunicado much of the time he was away, and this was seen as mysterious in light of the police probe into his receipt of an allegedly forged cheque for IL150,000 from the Mizrah Loan Society.

A police team, headed by Nitzav-Mishne Reuven Minkovsky, has been investigating the mayor ever since Tel Aviv District Court Judge Hanna Eynor ruled that a civil suit brought by members of the loan society should be discontinued and a criminal investigation initiated. The police said earlier this month that their probe was nearly completed and that the findings would be handed over to the Attorney-General.

Looking ill and exhausted, Haiby told newsmen at the airport that before leaving he had told his colleagues in the Ashkelon Municipality that he was going to New York to raise funds for the city. He said he had been completely unaware of the furor his absence had caused in the press, as he was confined to bed at his sister's home in New York, and felt too ill to answer the numerous telephone calls made to him from Israel.

"There is a plot against me," Haiby said, suggesting that political rivalry was involved. He said he would read all that had been written about him in the press while he was away and sue those who had slandered him.

The mayor said he intended to resume his duties today. (Itim)

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Discount Bank staff stand by demand

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — There will be no negotiations with the management of the Discount Bank to end the present labour dispute until management agrees in principle to pay Arm-Levi IL15,000 a month overtime in addition to his regular salary of IL21,000, the bank's staff committee reiterated yesterday.

Levi heads the bank's foreign currency department, and had been receiving approximately IL5,000 a month for overtime. But when he was recently promoted, this was discontinued, on the ground that his new salary of IL21,000 a month includes a "global" overtime payment of IL15,000 a month, regardless of actual overtime worked.

(The overtime involved is the time Levi, as well as another 20 members on the staff committee, put in after working hours to deal with the affairs of the bank's 5,000 workers.)

No sanctions were adopted yesterday by the staff committee, since the Histadrut called both sides together in an effort to end the dispute. The meeting was abortive, with the staff committee reiterating its demand. But sanctions may be taken today.

On Wednesday, the workers refused to man the clearing department, and on Tuesday they executed buying and selling on the stock market.

'No change in liberal policy in territories'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A senior official at the Defence Ministry said yesterday that there has been no change of policy in the administered territories. The official said that the authorities were following the same liberal policy that has been in effect in both the West Bank and the Gaza Strip for the past 10 years.

The official statement followed claims by West Bank mayors that they have been banned from making political statements and from transferring funds raised in Arab countries to their municipal coffers.

No mayor will be censured, nor will he be restricted in bringing in money as long as he reports the source and destination of the money, the official said. He stressed that the same liberal rules will continue to govern the local leadership's freedom of expression and movement.

The "were indications that the complaints by mayors could stem from field military initiatives not authorized by either the Judea and Samaria Command or the Defence Ministry.

Meanwhile, the official said that the authorities have never been more satisfied with the situation in the administered areas. He cited the prevailing quiet, the development projects, the virtual absence of unemployment, and the influx of summer visitors from neighbouring Arab countries into the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

Retraining plan for graduates is failing

By AARON SITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Government efforts at getting university graduates to train for jobs outside their fields of study are apparently failing, the Labour Ministry admitted yesterday.

The ministry, which is slated to become part of a larger Ministry for Social Betterment, disclosed that about one third of the places in its dozens of vocational retraining courses for university graduates are not filled.

"It's unfortunate that these people — most of them immigrants — are not taking advantage of our programmes," Labour Ministry Director-General Arye Gurel said last night. "Our special academics' employment office now has 2,000 unemployed university graduates registered for jobs. The best we can do at the present time is to place approximately 350 of them a month."

"Despite the difficulty in finding jobs here in their specialized fields, only 800 out of the 2,000 jobs immigrants have shown an interest in taking our courses, which prepare people for jobs needed by the economy."

Current employment opportunities, Gurel explained, exist in industrial maintenance work, quality control, water engineering and mechanical engineering in the merchant marine.

Besides practical courses in their fields, there are also studies leading to jobs in the social services.

2 killed in collision

TIBERIAS. — Two residents of Daburiya village in Lower Galilee were killed yesterday and four others were injured when their tender collided with an army command car on the Tiberias-Rosh Pina road near Migdal village.

The two dead victims were identified as Abdul Aziz Mahmud, 23, and Kassem Ahmed Masalha, 23. The injured were taken to Poriya hospital near here. Police are investigating.

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Rhodesian terrorists burn family in hut

SALISBURY. — Rhodesian military authorities said they discovered yesterday the charred bodies of 23 members of a rural black family who were locked in a hut set ablaze by a black terrorist gang.

Reporters taken to the scene were told by army and police briefing officers that the 23 included a man, his nine wives and 13 of his 36 children. The motive for the act was not known. But the terrorists were said to be members of the black nationalist guerrilla movement.

"Now you'll see the bad things we can do," said a message which, according to the authorities, the terrorists left behind.

The incident occurred in northeastern Rhodesia's Rushinga area at a village located about 25 km west of the border with Mozambique and 13 km from an army camp.

In London, Foreign Secretary David Owen says the joint Anglo-American peace initiative for Rhodesia is not dead and that he plans to go ahead with it despite its rejection by Premier Ian Smith and his ordering of elections for August 31.

But he calls Smith's decision "a great tragedy," because of growing violence in the African country.

"This is a great tragedy at this crucial moment," Owen said at a news conference yesterday. It was the British government's first official comment on the Smith announcement of elections in a radio

broadcast Monday night. "Instead of going ahead on the path that would lead to a negotiated settlement Smith has gone back," Owen said.

Owen said he plans to discuss possible future moves in talks with U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance in Washington this weekend. "I don't really think our initiative is dead," Owen said. "But our proposals were an attempt to square a very difficult circle. Any idea that we and the United States had any magic formula was never realistic."

The Anglo-American plan called for free elections in which both blacks and whites would take part and for transfer of power to a black majority government in 1978.

In his broadcast speech, Smith ruled out elections on a one-man-one-vote basis, in which blacks would have outnumbered white voters more than 30 to one. He called for elections in which only whites and a limited number of black moderates would take part. Owen said Britain and the U.S. could not accept this.

Two black nationalist leaders, Bishop Abel Muzorewa and the Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole, said in separate statements on Tuesday they will have no part of the government Smith hopes to create after elections.

Each reiterated demands for a transfer of power to blacks and for universal adult suffrage — something Smith has turned down.

Truce in Spanish prisons

MADRID. — After two days of rioting, police yesterday evacuated 18 wounded inmates from the provincial penitentiary and began shipping out 400 prisoners who have not joined the mutiny.

The disturbances, triggered by radical common prisoners who want freedom and general amnesty, have spread to a dozen other prisons throughout the country. An uneasy truce was reached yesterday as lawyers negotiated prisoners' demands with police.

The national news agency Cifra said the wounded inmates were lowered from the prison roof to authorities below who transported them to hospitals. The agency said 23 riot policemen had also been hurt during the clashes that tapered off Tuesday night.

King Juan Carlos' government has been careful and deliberate in granting pardons to political prisoners and has shown no sign of heeding the common prisoners' demand for release.

The Madrid newspaper "El Pais" said the drawing of parallels between an amnesty for the two different classes of prisoners was "indefensible."

Lawyers trying to mediate the dispute said yesterday afternoon that negotiations had been broken off.

A dozen busloads of police reinforcements arrived and officials said a police assault to clear the rioters from the roof was only awaiting a decision from the Interior Ministry.

Government sources said the rioters had done 70 million pesetas (U.S.\$2m) worth of damage within the prison, making most of it practically unusable. Up to 800 prisoners have participated in the Madrid disturbances.

Practically all of the prisoners jailed for politically motivated crimes against the Franco regime — killings in some cases — have been freed. The prisoners jailed for lesser common crimes use this as an argument for their release.

Meanwhile, a bomb damaged the Madrid Palace of Justice, seat of the Supreme Court, here yesterday but nobody was injured, police said.

(UPI, AP)

SAUVAGNARGUES. — Former French Foreign Minister Jean Sauvagnargues has been named ambassador in London, Foreign Ministry officials in Paris said yesterday.



Takemoto Takahashi (left) is taken into custody upon his arrival in Tokyo yesterday on suspicion of being a leader of the "Red Army" terror organization. (AP radiophoto)

'Red Army' suspect arrested in Japan

TOKYO (UPI). — A former university professor suspected of being a theoretical leader of Japan's radical leftist "Red Army" was arrested on his arrival yesterday after he was expelled from Sweden.

Takemoto Takahashi, 42, an assistant professor at Rikkyo University in Tokyo, was taken into police custody as soon as the jetliner that brought him back to Japan from Scandinavia touched down at the Haneda International Airport.

Takahashi was arrested on suspicion of using a false passport. But police are expected to question him on his connection with the Red Army, a radical group of Japanese youths who gained international notoriety for involvement in hijackings and raids on diplomatic missions abroad.

The bespectacled scholar of French literature was expelled from

Sweden on Tuesday under that country's anti-terrorism law.

Takahashi was reported to have entered Sweden last April on a false Indonesian-Dutch passport upon which police smashed an alleged plot by West German terrorists to kidnap former cabinet minister Anna-Carina Leijon.

He was arrested by Swedish police on July 12 for allegedly planning terrorist actions to coincide with the meeting last week of ministers from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Takahashi is the ninth Red Army-related person to be deported to Japan from foreign countries, and the fifth from Sweden.

The Red Army has been quiet in Japan in recent years largely because its leaders are mostly in jail undergoing trial on crimes they committed in this country.

Four German terrorists get life terms for embassy raid

DUESSELDORF, West Germany (AP). — A West German court yesterday sentenced three men and a woman to life imprisonment for their roles in the 1975 takeover of the West German Embassy in Stockholm in which two diplomats were killed.

The sentences of Lutz Maier, Tauter, Karl-Helmut Dellwo, Bernhard Rössner and Hanna-Elise Krabbe were announced after officials restored order following a noisy demonstration by some 25 young supporters who claimed the defendants were "political prisoners."

The four, who had been on trial since May 1976, were found guilty of taking part in the April 24, 1976, raid on the embassy in Stockholm, fatally

shooting two diplomats and holding about a dozen others hostage.

The raiders demanded the release of 26 members of the Baader-Meinhof terrorist gang, from West German jails. The 12-hour siege ended when the terrorists accidentally set off a bomb, allowing police to move in. Two of the raiders were fatally injured in the blast.

The four called themselves the "Holger Meins Commandos" in memory of a Baader-Meinhof gang leader who died in jail after a hunger strike three years ago.

The verdicts ended the year's third major trial involving members of the Baader-Meinhof gang, blamed for a string of bombings and terrorist attacks throughout West Germany in the early 1970s.

Price riots in Peru cause six deaths

LIMA (Reuters). — Six people were believed to have died in bitter clashes accompanying a 24-hour general strike called by labour unions protesting tough price increases.

Peru's capital city of Lima, with a population of five million, was paralysed on Tuesday in what was seen as the most serious challenge to the government since the military seized power nine years ago.

Witnesses told of clashes in various districts and reports said seven people had been killed. Government officials confirmed six deaths.

In one incident, these reports said, four youths were killed when they attacked a bus full of marines in the

district of Comas, 16 km. southeast of here. The marines opened fire on the youths, according to the reports.

Banks in Lima were closed, workers failed to turn up for work, and public transport was almost nonexistent.

Troops and police were out in force in the poorer, outlying areas of the city to prevent rioting and looting.

Warning shots echoed in the distance as helicopters hovered low over the city.

The strike was called by Peru's biggest and most powerful labour organization, the Communist-led Confederation of Peruvian Workers, to protest the government's introduction last month of tough anti-inflation, austerity measures.

Governor says Sacco-Vanzetti trial 'unfair'

BOSTON (Reuters). — Italian Anarchists Sacco and Vanzetti, executed nearly half a century ago amid world-wide protests, were denied a fair trial, a proclamation signed by the Governor of Massachusetts said on Tuesday.

Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were found guilty in 1921 of the murder of a shoe factory paymaster and guard during a \$19,000 payroll robbery and electrocuted here just over six years later.

Governor Michael Dukakis signed the proclamation, which has no legal standing, but says: "Any stigma and disgrace should be forever removed from the names of their (Sacco and Vanzetti) families and descendants."

Last January a group of European political leaders including Portuguese Premier Mario Soares, French Socialist leader Francois Mitterrand and Italian Communist Party chief Enrico Berlinguer, had appealed to President Jimmy Carter to see that the two immigrants be exonerated.

Both Sacco and Vanzetti maintained their innocence between their arrest in the spring of 1920 and their execution, which touched off demonstrations in the U.S. and many world capitals.

Eminent American and European experts on criminal law argued for them and protesters claimed the two men were "framed" because of their left-wing views.

In 1925, a condemned criminal gave evidence that the murders had actually been committed by a group known as the Morelli gang. Because the trial could not be reopened without the approval of the Judge, the death sentence was not commuted.

The Governor of Massachusetts appointed an independent investigatory committee which upheld the refusal of clemency.

Tuesday's proclamation did not refer to Dukakis' opinion on Sacco and Vanzetti's guilt or innocence, only to his feeling that the trial was unfair because of prejudice against foreigners and dissidents at the time.

Kuwait, Iraq withdrawing from disputed border area

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP). — Iraq and Kuwait began large-scale troop withdrawals yesterday from confrontation points along their mutual borderline on the Persian Gulf, the Kuwait state radio reported.

It quoted a Kuwait interior ministry official as saying the withdrawals are a prelude toward a decisive solution of the 16-year border dispute between the two neighbouring Arab states.

"The soldiers are moving back to points designated by a joint Kuwait-Iraq commission during a meeting on Tuesday night. These points are two kilometres apart, one kilometre toward Kuwait and one kilometre toward Iraq. The points are separated by the line drawn by the Arab League in 1961," the radio quoted the ministry as announcing.

Another joint commission will be set up in the near future to draw "a new final borderline" between Kuwait and Iraq, the radio added.

Iraq has long claimed sovereignty over Kuwait, but the claim was hushed up during the years when Kuwait was under British protection.

Iraq renewed its claim in 1961, when Kuwait was recognized as an independent state by Britain which ended its protection.

Iraq has 52 kms. of coastline sandwiched between Kuwait and Iran. The Iraqis were believed eager to gain full economic advantage of their only access to the sea.

The problem exploded into armed hostilities in 1973, when Iraqi soldiers captured Kuwait's police post of Sametia and occupied a few squared miles of Kuwaiti territory. Two weeks later, the Iraqis withdrew, but their claim to Sametia never lapsed.

Troops kill three rightists in Argentine kidnapping wave

BUENOS AIRES (AP). — Three right-wing kidnappers — two men and a woman — were shot and killed by army troops in a clash yesterday in which a prominent lawyer was rescued.

The three were travelling in a car that tried to pass a security checkpoint 10 kms. north of Mar del Plata, Argentina's main beach resort on the Atlantic Coast, 330 kms. south of Buenos Aires, police said. After the clash, police found the kidnapped lawyer, Carlos Bozzi, tied and gagged in the trunk of the car, apparently unhurt.

Bozzi is one of 11 prominent Mar del Plata lawyers reported kidnapped in the last three weeks by rightist terrorists in an apparent new backlash against leftist guerrilla actions. One of the lawyers was found dead last week and two others were freed.

Two other persons were killed yesterday in separate clashes. In

Banfield, an industrial city 15 kms. from Buenos Aires, suspected left-wing guerrillas travelling in a car pulled up beside a police patrol and fired machineguns, killing one policeman and injuring two others before escaping. In Rosario, 180 kms. to the north, army troops shot and killed the driver of a truck after mistaking him for a guerrilla because he accidentally crashed his truck into an army truck.

Police have launched a search for the Argentine ambassador to Venezuela, Hector Hidalgo Sola, reported missing on Tuesday while on vacation in Buenos Aires. His family said he may have been kidnapped by terrorists.

A prominent Peronist Party Labour leader, Abelardo Arce, who was reported kidnapped by rightists 14 months ago, appeared on Tuesday and was immediately arrested by security agents on unspecified criminal charges, police said.

Germans mark anti-Hitler plot

BONN. — West German officials laid wreaths yesterday at the memorial honouring those who staged an abortive coup against Nazi leader Adolf Hitler on June 20, 1944.

President Walter Scheel, Justice Minister Jochem Vogel and Karl Carstens, President of the Bundestag (Parliament) took part in the ceremony at the Bonn city park.

The ceremony honours a group of German officers who tried to kill Hitler in hopes of ending World War II before the allies reached German soil.

Col. Klaus Schenck von Stauffenberg placed a bomb, hidden in a brief case, under a table during

a meeting between Hitler and senior officers. Hitler survived the explosion, but von Stauffenberg and several other plotters were rounded up and executed. German officials estimate at least 5,000 people were executed in the aftermath of the plot.

Yesterday a West Berlin court imposed a 600-mark (U.S.\$400) fine on a 25-year-old man who stuck out his arm in a Nazi salute and shouted "Sieg Heil".

Manfred Penk, who committed the offence while working as a guard at the U.S. Air Force base at Tempelhof, said he had only done it as a joke.

SCIENCE MARCHES ON

LONDON (UPI). — Adultery may be the result of "psychological fatigue," a condition where any act no matter how pleasurable loses its ability to stimulate when it is repeated over a period of time.

"The person suffering the psychological fatigue may look elsewhere to recapture what has been lost in marriage," said Maurice North, a sociologist, and Frederick Toates, a psychologist, in an article in "New Society" magazine yesterday.

Under the headline "Is Adultery Biological?" they wrote: "It is known that when the nervous system

gets the same stimulation repeatedly and predictably over a long period it is not so aroused by it as when it was new. Precisely where in the nervous system fatigue occurs is still disputed. But it is agreed that fatigue represents a fundamental property of the nervous system."

"We believe the sex drive and its need for novelty is part of man's animal inheritance and may be attributable to identifiable nervous system properties. Why some go in for promiscuity more than others may be due to the nervous system they were born with," they wrote.

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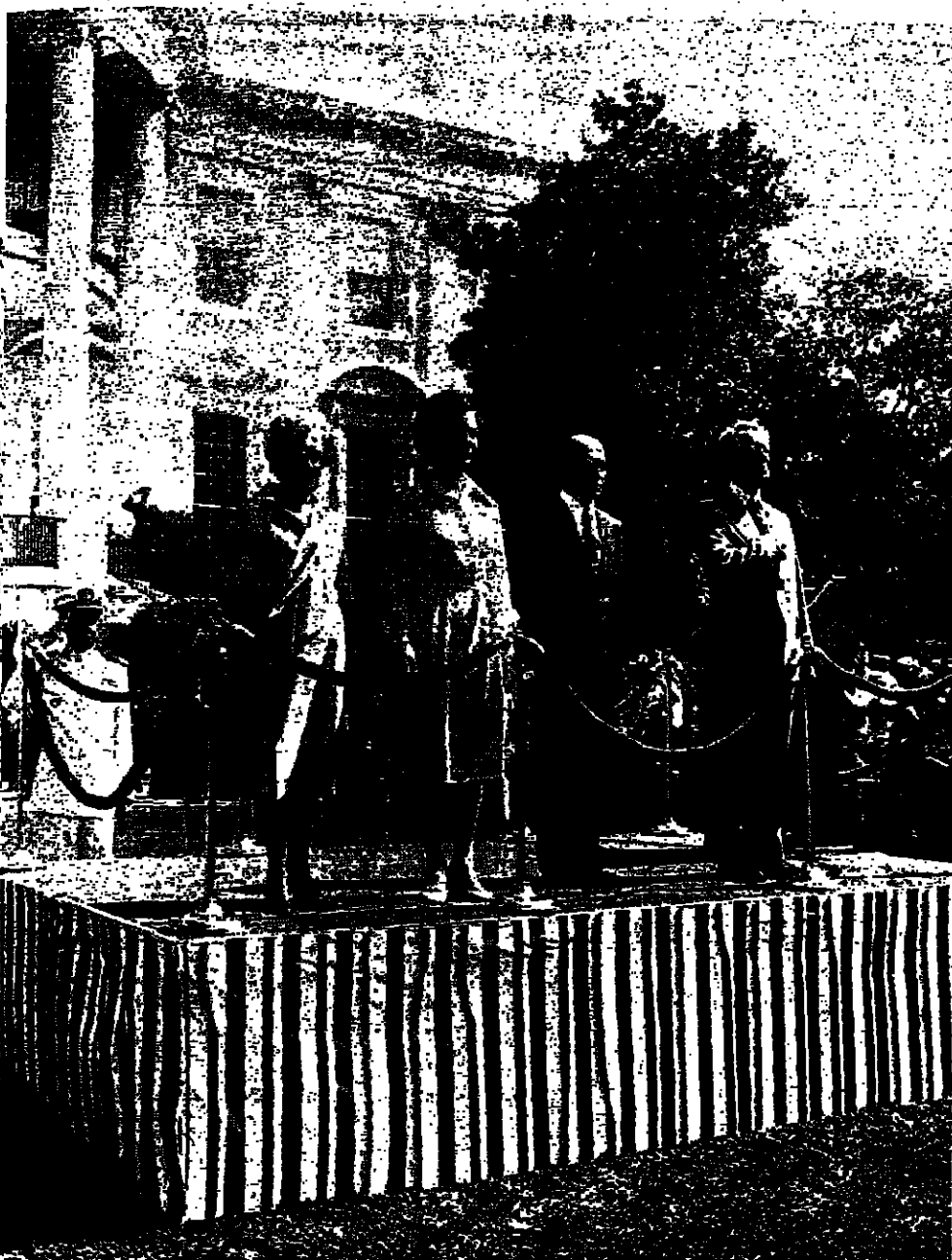
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Pres. and Mrs. Carter greet Premier Begin



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Father of the nation

THE TENSION was almost unbearable; I stopped breathing; would he do it or wouldn't he? Then came the great disappointment, not only for me and millions of viewers, but, I am sure, for Rosalynn Carter as well: he did not kiss her hand. I suspect that she had been practising for hours in front of a mirror how she should handle the situation, but all for nothing, for a mere handshake.

Otherwise, the Premier's conduct during the reception by the President couldn't have been better. I suspect that Simcha Dinits or some busybody who is an expert on protocol advised against the hand-kissing: damn cheek.

Begin was in fine form, and handled his English with great self-possession, although I suspect that if he was using a prepared text it did not refer to the greatest of the patriarchs as "old Abraham."

However, the familiarity slipped comfortably out of his mouth, and showed a nice, informal relationship with the founder of the Jewish people.

While it is clear that Begin has not abated a jot of his principles, and still holds every inch of the West Bank on multiple religious-nationalist grounds, apart from security needs, I must say that I am very pleased by the way he has changed his style. He is rather like Alec Guinness taking on a new role.

Gone forever into the history books is the dauntless underground fighter; gone too is the loyal leader of Her Majesty's Opposition — I mean the President's. There is nothing left of the partisan fighting with guns or words: now his role is that of the Father of the Nation. He has inherited the mantle of Old Abraham, of B-G, of Golda. Even when he has occasion to reprimand children like Shulamit or Lova for being fractious, he does so as an indulgent Jewish papa, who never uses the rod.

In retrospect, it seems to me that this is what the Israeli voters wanted a Father Figure. All that talk about our wanting youth was just eyewash; we were sick and tired of young leaders trying to sell themselves as technocrats, as efficient managing directors of a country run like a company. Incidentally, these young company directors quarrelled like the Hammond brothers in the executive suite, which didn't endear them to us either.

The great problem, of course, is whether Jimmy also wants a father figure, particularly as he has already got Miss Lillian around to provide a mother figure. He certainly outmanoeuvred Menahem by getting in his quote from Isaiah first, and there was a sly dig in that praise for Israel for being nice to the Vietnamese refugees; he seemed to im-

ly that we should be nice to the Palestinian refugees as well. Still, it was a good start, and our TV did a good job getting us the pictures and commentary so fast.

LAST FRIDAY, prior to the great meetings, part of the Magazine was devoted to the background of Resolution 242. The comments by former ambassadors Abba Eban and Arthur Goldberg, and of Gideon Rafael, on what everybody had in mind in June and July, 1967, were remarkable for their lack of mention of Resolution 242, an omission which showed an attitude of mind. They talked as if the Yom Kippur War had never taken place. It was, of course, the effects of this War, and of the oil boycott, that now dominate the thinking of the world. By some curious trick, the Israelis and pro-Israel Jews seem to think that the present discussion is being conducted "ten years ago," as if nothing had taken place in the interim.

Immediately afterwards we were brought head on against the realities of the day, in a discussion of our economic dependence on the U.S.A. Ephraim Dovrat, analysing this dependence, showed how American grants and loans had soared astronomically after October, 1973. The whole economic picture was completely transformed.

Shortly before this, on a news item, we saw Sheikh Yamani reminding everybody — with silken and gentle menace — that they must not irritate the Arabs. Why, said he, a teeny-weeny fire in Yemen's oil wells sends currencies crashing on the stock exchanges of a war broke; what would happen if a war broke out in the Middle East?

Professor Yirmiyahu Yoval's "Third Hour" was absorbingly interesting, perhaps because it was about sex, and even in these days sex can keep some of us awake. Mind you, one couple ignorant of how to prevent procreation following recreation, told us that each partner in turn took care to be fast asleep when the other came to bed, both having decided, separately, that abstinence was better than paying the price of a few minutes' pleasure.

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A very charming and intelligent rebbelein revealed in the discussion that followed that abstinence was forbidden by religious law, just like *goitosis interruptus*.

She told us something else that was very interesting: Orthodox families are entitled to plan the size of their families, provided they do so after discussions with their rabbi, and get his advice and blessing.

Emerging clearly from the discussion was the clear determination of almost all Israelis, Orthodox and non-Orthodox alike, to control the sizes of their families according to their physical, emotional and material ability to raise a family. Also clear was that the vast number of Israeli women don't know how to do it. Ideas of contraception seem to be sketchy: some try the rhythm method, some *goitosis interruptus*, some rely on the men. All these are very dubious ways of preventing that determined little sperm from making it. There was surprisingly little discussion about the pill. On the other hand, there was a lot of talk about the ring or loop, but here the women pointed out very bitterly that gynaecologists charge the astonishing price of IL4,000 for inserting it.

Professor Zvi Palti, who generally talked wisely and well about the problem, said that the gynaecologists should not be blamed for the high prices, because professionals charge what the public is prepared to pay. He said that the women are to blame for not insisting that their Sick Funds provide the preventive service free.

And that is the nub of the problem. Why aren't the Funds doing the job? On a film we saw a devoted woman doctor who is running a clinic in Jaffa, but is threatened with closure if she doesn't keep it a hole-and-corner affair. Kupat Holim has an ambivalent attitude, varying from hospital to hospital.

Professor Yoval has done the public a great service. Irrespective of the fate of the Abortion Law, I trust that this film will result in women inundating Kupat Holim and the other Sick Funds with demands that the fitting of the ring or loop be made as easily available as the provision of aspirin when too many children give them headaches. Generally, it is high time we moved from the dark ages into the 20th century with regard to the provision of sex information.

THE economic measures which have once more ruined the housewives provided little dramatic tension, because of the weakness and

olly of the Labour opposition. Like the Bourbons, the Labour leaders have learned nothing. Nobody has told them that they lost the election because of their economic policies. Thus we saw the astonishing sight of Yehoshua Rabinowitz, who cost Labour so many votes, criticising Ehrlich's unpopular policies, not because they are unpopular, but because they are really Rabinowitz's. If this is the kind of opposition we are to have, the Likud will be in for more than 23 years.

ONE OF Yaron London's programmes brought us Professor Aaron Stern, raiser of geniuses, and Chani Peri, queen of the models. She

is certainly something to look at; when she posed for some shots, she was stunning. Asked how a model gets to the peak of the pyramid, she said bluntly that she couldn't sleep her way there.

"Kolbotek" got off to a marvellous start, with two letters from unnamed, anonymous Government offices, demanding that the recipients present themselves for talks. As Danny Pe'er said, this was the ultimate in bureaucracy. Then he produced a letter turning down an application made four years earlier, previously unacknowledged; the recipient was advised that his file was being closed. In the meanwhile, the poor man's entire file had been closed by some heavenly bureaucrat. Those letters triggered a stimulating half-hour's talk on how to get an answer from a civil servant.



Sharing a light moment with Miss Universe 1976, Rina Mor. (AP)

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A counsel of despair

THE PUBLIC committee set up to devise means of avoiding repetition of the violence between secular and religious residents of Hashomer Street in Bnei Brak, has suggested that the section of the street passing by the religious housing blocs be closed to vehicular traffic on the Sabbath.

The recommendation, offered by a panel appointed by the Ministry of Transport, with former District Judge Max Chernobolsky at its head, has been accepted by the Transport Ministry despite the threats by leaders of the secular residents to go to court over the issue.

The Chernobolsky Committee was faced by a head-on clash between two opposing value systems. Its conclusion was that there was no hope for an acceptable Solomonic solution: the religious residents were unalterably opposed to any compromise based on the idea of selective traffic. The committee thus based its proposal for the closing of the street on the assumption that the "sensibilities" of the religious residents outweighed the "inconvenience" to which their secular neighbours would be put.

This is a dubious and potentially dangerous judgement to render in a pluralistic society such as Israel, where a decent level of social peace has so far been maintained by due regard for the rights and sensibilities of all sections of the population.

Not that the Sabbath street-closing solution is, as Jerusalemites will be the first to appreciate, wholly revolutionary. But the precedents for its enforcement in similar circumstances have been few, and they formed part of what, for want of a better term, has come to be known as the *status quo*.

It should also be stressed that the controversy that has erupted on Hashomer Street is not typical of Israel as a whole. Throughout the country, observant and non-observant Jews live peacefully side by side, despite the great difference in their lifestyles. Neither does the problem exist in the self-imposed ultra-religious ghettos in the heart of Bnei Brak and in Mea Shearim in Jerusalem, where there is no traffic on the Sabbath.

There is an issue only at the interface, such as on Hashomer Street, where ultra-orthodox and utterly non-orthodox communities rub up against each other.

Even there it did not flare up for many years. Only now, spurred on by the concessions made by Mr. Begin to Agudat Yisrael, did the ultra-orthodox decide to push for an end to the uneasy *modus vivendi* on the border street, by actually roping it off. The Chernobolsky Committee recommendation appears to corroborate their original assumption that the attempt would pay off.

What is disturbing about the recommendation is the implication that observant and non-observant Jews cannot coexist in neighbourly amity. If this is left unchallenged, it is likely to trigger heightened opposition in secular neighbourhoods to the sale of apartments to orthodox buyers.

Indeed it could lead to a deterioration in the relations between the religious and the secular throughout the country.

From 'Miracle' to 'Passover Plot'

The stage and screen, argues ALLEN E. (AVRAHAM) SHAPIRO, must be recognized as full partners in the free exchange of ideas that is essential to a democratic society.



Yeshua (Zalman King) and disciples marching into Jerusalem in "The Passover Plot."

IT IS NOW twenty-five years since the famous controversy with regard to the banning of Roberto Rossellini's movie, "The Miracle", by the Board of Regents of the State of New York. The film tells the story of a demented Italian peasant girl, seduced by a bearded stranger she believes to be St. Joseph. Her simple faith and her insistence that her pregnancy is "the grace of God" results in torment and mockery by the villagers.

The Board of Regents acted after a statement by Francis Cardinal Spellman, condemning the picture, was read at all Sunday masses in New York's St. Patrick's Cathedral. The Cardinal's action was protested at the time by many prominent Catholic laymen. "In the long run what Cardinal Spellman will have succeeded in doing," wrote the poet Allen Tate, "is insulting the intelligence and faith of American Catholics with the assumption that a second-rate motion picture could in any way undermine their morals or shake their faith."

In 1952 the U.S. Supreme Court reversed the ban on "The Miracle," in a landmark decision granting to the art of the cinema the protection ordinarily accorded to freedom of expression in other artistic and literary media. To accept the notion that no religion shall be treated with "contempt, mockery, scorn or ridicule," held the Court, would set the censor "adrift upon a boundless sea amid a myriad of conflicting currents of religious views, with no charts but those provided by the most vocal and powerful orthodoxies."

Mr. Justice Felix Frankfurter wrote a separate concurring opinion. "History," he contended, "does not encourage reliance on the wisdom and moderation of the censor, as a safeguard of such drastic power over the minds of men." Moreover, censorship of this sort would have "stultifying consequences on the creative process of literature and art — for films are derived largely from literature," he concluded.

THE WISDOM and moderation of the film censor in Israel have found their most recent expression in the banning of "The Passover Plot", based on the book by British author Dr. Hugh Schoenfeld, which suggests that Jesus did not die on the cross.

According to *The Jerusalem Post's* report of July 14, Film Censorship Board Chairman Yehoshua Justman explained that the film had been banned because it is offensive to part of the population, as it strikes at the very foundation of Christian faith. If we had to act on a film which attacked the basis of Jewish faith in the same basic way, we would certainly ban it, he added.

The claim of the film's producers is that it presents the story of Jesus from a Jewish point of view. Can a controversial religious issue be the subject of portrayal on the cinema screen? Can it be a matter of public debate, by means of the artistic media, in a pluralistic society? These are questions to which Felix Frankfurter and the Israeli censors give contradictory answers.

In his opinion in "The Miracle" case, Frankfurter pointed to the fact that there are some 300 religious sects in the United States. "Conduct and beliefs dear to one may seem the rankest 'sacrilege' to another... A motion picture portraying Christ as divine — for example, a movie showing medieval Church art — would offend the religious opinions of the members of several Protestant denominations who do not believe in the Trinity, as well as those of a non-Christian faith. Conversely, one showing Christ as merely an ethical teacher could not but offend millions of Christians of many denominations. What is 'sacrilegious'?"

The fact that America is a

pluralistic society proves to Frankfurter the impossibility of censorship. In Israel, on the other hand, the fact of pluralism is taken as the reason for censorship's indispensability.

The American judge, faced with a plethora of conflicting religious beliefs, throws up his hands and asks, rhetorically, as it were, what is 'sacrilegious'? The Israeli, on the other hand, does not reason from a plurality of faiths to a negation of the received orthodoxies. The American asks what is 'sacrilegious' rhetorically, because he knows he has no answer. The Israeli thinks he does.

IN 1972 Amos Kenan's play "Friends Tell About Jesus" was banned as offensive to religious sensibilities. To refrain from such an affront, censored Justice Landau in upholding the ban, was "an obligation deriving directly from the duty of mutual tolerance between free citizens of

different faiths without which no heterogeneous democratic society such as ours would be possible."

Even the fundamental principle of freedom of expression must yield to this obligation, Landau maintained.

After this decision, Yigal Allon, then Minister of Education, suggested terminating censorship of theatrical performances. Film censorship would be left unaffected, however. Why the Minister, a kibbutnik and a member of a socialist political party, regarded censorship appropriate in the more popular mass medium of the cinema, while dispensable for the limited theatre public, is a puzzle.

An implicit elitism, it is true, is an integral part of this area of thought-control in Israel. The mass character of the cinema audience and the appeal of that medium to the "emotions of the crowd" have been cited frequently as justification for film censorship. Also, the stage and

the screen are not yet perceived as full partners in the free market of ideas essential to a democratic society.

For example, at an American Jewish Congress dialogue on Judaism in 1963, Justice Haim Cohn stated that "racist-Nazi principles, because of an ancient Talmudic rule, have turned into the law of the State of Israel." A citizen brought suit against the Attorney-General for not prosecuting the Justice for the undoubted affront to religious sensibilities. Dismissing the suit, the High Court of Justice pointed out that the dialogue was intended to provide a forum for opinions, not all of which would suit the views of all members of the audience.

Theodor Herzl, for one, showed how the stage, too, could provide a forum for the dissemination of ideas. That part of his career deserves more attention from our censors than it has received to date.

READERS' LETTERS

PARTITION FOR SOUTH AFRICA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I can find little to disagree with in the general tone of the article by Mr. David Hacohen, "Partition for South Africa" (July 8). On some points of fact, however, I do take issue with the author, as some of these are based upon misconceptions.

First, the author states that the whites, when trekking into the interior, "treated the black peoples living among them with violence and contempt," and that "they had no hesitation in enslaving them or taking their land by conquest or fraud." This is simply not true. The areas through which these Boers trekked were for the most part uninhabited due to the annihilation of the peoples there in their national and tribal wars known as Mfecane. In cases in which there was any doubt as to claims of land, the whites and, later, the governments of the Orange Free State and the Transvaal Republics negotiated with the peoples concerned. Documents concerning land deals which were made between the white and black leaders, e.g. the Betsi-Dingana treaty, are still to be found in several museums in South Africa.

Mr. Hacohen's remark that "the whites in South Africa lack a basic concern for the 18 million natives" necessitates further explanation. It is well known that the blacks in South Africa have a standard of living far superior to that of their counterparts in all African countries.

tries. South Africa's aid to blacks during 1962-1973 totalled almost \$800 million.

There has been a tremendous increase in the buying power of the blacks; the per capita income of the urban blacks on the East and West Rand has gone up from \$210 to \$340 per month during the five-year period ending in 1975 and the South African Government budget for black education during the financial year 1977/78 totals \$350 million.

Mr. Hacohen's suggestion for solving the "problem of democratic equality" by separating South Africa into two states for each of the two communities, white and black, is appreciated as an honest endeavour. However, the idea of such a partitioning of South Africa was already rejected in the early 1880's as totally impractical. Mr. Hacohen does not recognize the fact that the black community of South Africa comprises eight different tribal nations, each with its own language, traditions, culture and history. Therefore, South Africa will be partitioned into two parts, but rather nine. A partition of South Africa into two parts would lead, like majority rule, to utter chaos.

Last, but not least, *kol hakavod* for the author's remarks on maintaining and expanding open relations between Israel and South Africa.

J.D. SHYMAN
(Press and Information),
South African Embassy
Tel Aviv.

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because it would bolster up numbers against the blacks. The fact is, however, that the vast majority of these people have come out openly in support of the blacks. After all, they too have been "endorsed out" (physically removed) from their homes and areas where they may often have been for hundreds of years.

Why should the answer to South Africa's racial problems be either of the extremes of apartheid (or partition as Mr. Hacohen euphemistically calls it), or that of "extremist propaganda aimed at toppling the Republic of South Africa and leaving in its place a heap of ruins for both white and black"? Why cannot the answer be a sensible, rational and fair agreement between the races concerned? After all, South Africa has the most dynamic and brilliant black leaders in Africa, such as, for example, Nelson Mandela, Robert Sobukwe and others who are, however, almost all imprisoned or banned or under house arrest because their outstanding talents are a threat to the white government's domination.

The crux of the matter is, of course, Israel-South African relations and all Mr. Hacohen's mumbo-jumbo is only written in an attempt to come to the point of supporting Israel's relations with South Africa. There is no reason for Israel to connect herself so closely to South Africa except for the most expedient and selfish material reasons.

CHAIM LEVIN
Haifa.

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of apartheid, e.g. the Mixed Marriages Act and the Immorality Act, are the subject of intensive and open debate within white South Africa, even at cabinet level, as your article, "South Africa: PM slams race-sex laws" in the same newspaper suggests.

MIKE AND ALI TOMLINSON
Kibbutz Sde Boker.

PENFRIENDS

ASHOK KUMAR KAURA (25), of House No. N-289, Sector No. VIII, R. K. Puram, New Delhi 110022, India, is a government stenographer who would like to correspond with young Israelis.

MELANIE T. PHILLIPS (17), of 51 Leverton Street, London N.W. 5, is training to be a secretary and would like to correspond with Israeli boys of her age.

For a democracy without parties

THOSE who speak of "democracy" tend to overlook the fact that in a democratic system decisions are taken according to the will of the majority of the people, and this need not involve the existence, or even less the rule, of organized political parties.

In ideal situations, the will of the majority can be determined by plebiscite. This is how it is often done in Switzerland, where referenda anchor democracy deep in the life of the country. And with the increasing sophistication of electronic technology, it is conceivable that plebiscites will shortly be in common use all over the world.

In representative democracies, the voter hands over his part in the decision-making process to elected members of a legislative body. This can be done by electing persons whose political opinions and moral character one is in sympathy with, or by electing parties. The latter method was instrumental in destroying the democratic Weimar Republic in Germany, and is causing increasing damage to our country.

THE REASON is clear. Problems are not simple and do not come singly. One's opinion on a given problem does not necessarily determine one's opinion on another. In Israel, for instance, one can decide simultaneously on at least the following questions:

- Keep all the territories; return all the territories; or retain some of the territories?
- Insist on total peace, as between civilized countries, or make do with a state of non-belligerence instead?
- Have capitalism, or communism, or one of the many mixtures of the two systems, including different degrees of socialism?
- Accept the dictates of religious orthodoxy, or claim freedom of religious worship for everyone?
- Institute a welfare state; or laissez faire society; or something in between?

Let us stop here. If each question can be answered in two ways, we have 2x2x2x2x2 = 32 combinations of answers, not very much more than the number of political parties in Israel. By allowing one intermediate answer for each of the five questions, one would arrive at 243 combinations.

Can anybody doubt that a two-party system is a ridiculous substitute? It is the natural common sense of the Jewish people that gives birth to so many parties and sub-groups in our country.

But why have parties at all? Certainly not for the sake of the voter. Party bosses, many of whom are not fit for anything better, are fishing for influence and sometimes even for money in troubled political waters; and they force their will on the country.

"PARTY discipline" is the epitaph of democracy, yet it has become one of the sacred cows in Israel.

A viable democracy in this country, says FRANCIS DE KOROSY, should be based on a legislature made up of individual representatives, not bound by party discipline.

Assume that there is a party with a 51 per cent majority in the legislature (not in Israel, of course). Assume also that proud of its democratic procedures, that party's executive committee votes on a given question. Fifty-one per cent of the committee then choose one particular solution, and they (democratically) force their representatives in the legislature to vote for its adoption. The motion is carried. This despite the fact that 49 per cent of the country, represented by the opposition, and 49 per cent of the 51 per cent in the ruling party, may be opposed. The will of about 25 per cent of the people has prevailed.

Where is democracy in all this? Indeed, come to think of it, where is the assurance that the party's executive committee truly reflects the will of even the party's own membership?

Democracy is an ideal and it has not yet been attained anywhere. It is clear, however, that even if it were achieved it would have very serious limitations: twice two is going to be four even against an overwhelming majority, and the right of minorities

to live their own way of life must somehow be guaranteed.

As far as I can see, different approaches to democracy work quite well in Switzerland, in the U.S., and maybe in England and a few Western countries. But the system ought to be improved everywhere. It could be improved quite a lot in Israel.

I BELIEVE we should elect individuals and not parties.

A candidate for public office would have to present his programmes and his curriculum vitae, including a statement on his financial situation. Perhaps he should also be required to state in advance how he proposed to vote on certain important questions, and this undertaking would be binding on him.

Other questions might be left to the candidate to decide about later; but the voter would know more or less to whom he is giving his right to make certain decisions.

Whenever a candidate received more votes than are necessary to elect him, he could be allowed to decide to whom the surplus votes should be transferred; his choice would be publicized together with his programme. He would not, however, be bound by any party discipline.

The stability of government would rest on a presidential system of the kind prevailing in the U.S. The president is elected by the people and is free to choose his cabinet and to change it, irrespective of parliamentary majority.

There have been times in the past when Israel showed the way to the whole world. Would it be impossible to lead the world one step further towards democracy?

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POSTSCRIPTS

ISRAEL and Australia have more in common than the eucalyptus tree which was transplanted here so successfully from "down under". That seems to be the quality of passion. The two countries, so disparate in size, have done what no other nations have done. They have both taken in unwanted Vietnamese refugees.

At the end of June, a group of 73 refugees beached on the extreme north west coast of the continent after a 14-week perilous voyage in small boats across the South China Sea. In the last 12 months, according to an Onis report, 212 Vietnamese have made their way to Australia in "an armada of little boats, dodging Communist gun-boats, storms and shark-infested seas in search of a new homeland... other refused permission to land in Malaysia, Singapore or Indonesia, their last hope lies with Australia."

The Australian government, acknowledging the country's involvement in the Vietnam war, feels a special responsibility and public opinion has been won over by the heroism of the refugees. On the other hand, the authorities fear that "the exploits of the 73, who made the 3,000-mile journey aided by a child's compass" will only encourage further small-boat armadas.

THE STAR of the evening was a little red-haired boy with glasses. Fittingly, he played the piano bench, he played a song from Khatchaturian's Children's Album with small fluent fingers, slid off the bench, ran down the steps, climbed into his seat and hid his face in his hands. Waved back into the stage by his teacher, he was instructed to bow. He complied with two semi-deep knee-bends on the run.

The boy: Dori Bar-Yosef, a pupil of Eva Schwartz in a children's music and arts workshop run by Amalia Reuel in the Carmeli school, Jerusalem. The occasion: an end of the year recital at the Jerusalem Khan theatre by pupils and teachers of the workshop and guests.

An "orchestra" (average age 8 or 9) played two movements from Leopold Mozart's Toy Symphony — on xylophones, recorders and cuckoo birds not in evidence.

There were wood-and-string renditions from the late Middle Ages, Schumann's "Pictures from the East" for four hands on piano, and Shymin Oren's dramatic Liszt sonata, a piano seduction.

Nothing had quite the effect of the little red-haired boy's encounter with grand polished piano — and applause.

MCP

AN UNUSUAL sight greeted us on the way to work on a recent hot morning in Jerusalem.

Crossing Jaffe Road at Zahal Square was a figure that looked like an Israeli version of Rip Van Winkle. Carrying a by now old-fashioned brief-bag, the man was wearing the khaki shirt and knee-length shorts of austerity days. On his head was a khaki pith-helmet, the kind of headgear which we thought had disappeared from this country a generation or so ago; it used to be worn by members of Hagana, British officials, and famed archaeologist Sir F.inders Petrie.

We couldn't help thinking that, whoever that old-timer was, he was more suitably dressed for a temperature in the mid-90s than all today's bare-headed young men in tight, tight jeans.

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

A reception was held by British Ambassador John Mason at the residence of First Secretary Dennis McAlindon in Ganot Hadar in honour of the British contingent to the Macabiah games. A presentation of a tankard was made to the ambassador by the leaders of the British squad.

An Oneg Shabbat in English will be held at 9.00 tonight at Ihud Shivat Zion, 86 Rehov Ben-Yehuda, Tel Aviv. Tourists are invited to meet Ya'acov Bar-Or, community leader and Ben Hagal, settler from the U.S.A.

(Communicated)

An Oneg Shabbat in English will be held at nine o'clock tonight at Hechal Shlomo in Jerusalem. Speakers will be Rabbi Dr. Zevulun Lieberman and Mr. Issachar Ben-Yaakov, political adviser at the Jerusalem Municipality. Cantor Arye Goldberg will lead the singing of Zimrot. The public is invited.

DEPARTURES

Deputy Finance Minister Yeheskel Flomim, and Treasury Director General Amram Sivan, for New York to attend a meeting on the U.S.-Israel Bi-national Research and Development Fund.

'Reporters shouldn't ask about settlement policy'

By WOLF BLITZER

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
WASHINGTON. — Israeli reporters who ask questions about the current government's policy vis-a-vis the creation of new Israeli settlements are doing a dis-service to their country, a source close to Prime Minister Begin said yesterday.

During a briefing for Israeli reporters at Blair House, where Begin and his party have been housed during their stay here, the source complained that such questions were inappropriate.

The source was visibly upset that the reporters were trying to learn about the Israel government's policy on settlements in the territories, as enunciated to President Carter these past few days.

The source said this was a very sensitive issue, and it would be better not to discuss it at this crucial time. The source seemed especially perturbed that Nahum Barnea, the Washington correspondent of "Davar" — which is affiliated with the opposition-controlled Histadrut — had asked the question. When correspondents from "Ma'ariv" and "Ha'aretz" — newspapers that are independent and unaffiliated with

any Israeli political parties — sought to follow up the questioning on this issue, the source complained that they were doing "damage" to Israel's cause by asking such questions.

This reminded some of those reporters of a famous January 1976 Blair House briefing with a "senior Israeli official," who accused certain Israeli reporters of being "agents of a foreign state," bantered with this correspondent, who also represents "Al Hamishmar," the organ of the opposition left-of-centre Mapam party. At one point, the source said something in Russian, joking that if the reporters present did not understand, they should ask the "Al Hamishmar" correspondent for a translation.

Yesterday Begin was returning to New York where he will spend the weekend meeting with American Jewish leaders, UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim and others. Earlier in the day, he met with AFL-CIO President George Meany, leading U.S. columnists and commentators, several key senators and representatives and others.

Contents of Begin document

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The West Bank and the Gaza Strip must not be handed over to foreign rule in the framework of an Israeli-Arab peace, according to one of the documents which Prime Minister Menachem Begin submitted to President Jimmy Carter in Washington this week, and which was read out to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee on Tuesday.

The Government of Israel will not agree to withdraw its forces from any part of the West Bank or the Gaza Strip, the document said, according to a number of sources reporting unofficially on the committee meeting.

Israel would, however, be ready for a substantial withdrawal in Sinai, and would be willing to adjust the present lines on the Golan Heights without withdrawing entirely from the ridge, the sources said.

Other elements of the document included:

- An historical introduction sketching the national plight in past years, and Israel's aspirations for peace.
- Israel's readiness to go to a resumed Geneva Conference, and failing that, to negotiate with its three Arab neighbours in a Rhodes-style conference, or in proximity talks.
- A refusal to allow a Palestinian delegation at the Geneva conference.
- A proposal that the Geneva conference convene on October 10 or any subsequent date.
- Separate negotiations at Geneva in three mixed commissions: Israel-Egypt; Israel-Syria; and Israel-Jordan respectively, after the initial opening sessions. The possibility of a fourth mixed commission with Lebanon if that country wishes to attend.

Peres: Begin's warm reception does not signify agreement

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres indicated yesterday that U.S. President Jimmy Carter's warm reception of Prime Minister Menachem Begin does not signify agreement between the two leaders.

"We were not surprised by the reception, I was even happy," he told Labour's central committee meeting here yesterday.

Peres said he did not want to comment on the government's moves as long as Begin is abroad. But "I only know that a political argument is ahead of us, not behind us," he said.

The trip's results will be known only after Secretary of State Cyrus Vance winds up his forthcoming trip

to the Middle East, the chairman reported.

Peres reiterated his criticism of the government's decision to cut the defence budget. The former defence minister said "there are urgent needs in the defence ministry. If someone believes one allocation is too big, the money can be transferred to another item which is waiting (for funds) like a beggar at the doorstep."

Peres said a party survey of the Knesset election results showed Labour lost six seats to the DMC, five to the Likud, and three to four to the NRP, Shelli and Platto-Sharon's list. Labour's power declined further because many people who voted for the first time did not support it. Young members' support would

have offset the fact more votes were needed for a seat. Many Likud voters switched to the DMC, he reported, accounting for six of the DMC's 15 mandates.

The alignment's Knesset whip, Moshe Shahal said Labour lost especially among the intellectuals, the population in the development towns and the youth.

The party's leaders called for an end to personal squabbling. "You can't talk of being a fighting opposition when members fight among themselves," Shahal said.

He reported that Peres had asked Hebrew University Prof. Yeheskel Dvor and others to head teams of experts who will advise the Knesset members.

A long way to go to play soccer

BANGKOK (Reuters). — Israel and Taiwan may soon be installed as permanent members of the Oceania group of the international football federation (Fifa).

At a press conference here, Fifa president Havelange said that the move was designed to solve political and regional problems which have resulted in the expulsion of Taiwan and Israel from the Asian Football Federation (AFC).

"Both Israel and Taiwan are Fifa members of good standing and we intend to keep them active in the sport," Havelange said. Fifa does not condone the AFC action of expelling Taiwan and Israel from its membership. But our suggestion for them to join the Oceania group with Australia, New Zealand, Fiji and Papua-New Guinea is a compromise solution."

Histadrut

(Continued from page 1)

found the Municipality offices closed shortly after 10. "So I took the opportunity to walk over to the Discount Bank to cash a cheque," he said. "But, no luck. They too were closed."

Mordechai Hafez, secretary of the Municipality staff committee, confirmed that the city's 5,000 workers, except for those at the fire brigade and other emergency services, had complied with the strike call.

Asked if a one-hour work stoppage could be viewed as a breach in a work agreement, Labour Council secretary David Ayalon replied, "If the Histadrut decides on a move, it's perfectly kosher."

In Haifa, the strike was generally a failure in this tightly-organized "workers' city," according to reporter Ya'acov Friedler.

Some strains, including that in the Zim company's offices, did not join the strike at all, and in others participation was not full.

In the port, some workers continued on the job, while the committee organized two meetings, which were very poorly attended.



A participant in the 10th Maccabiah Games hands a flower to a border policeman at the closing parade in Jerusalem yesterday. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

Parade ends 10th Maccabiah

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Tenth Maccabiah Games, the largest ever held in Israel, concluded yesterday with a parade through the streets of Jerusalem and a ceremony at the Western Wall.

Three thousand participants, formed into national contingents, moved out of Independence Park at 5:30 p.m. and marched through the downtown area. The three-kilometre walk took them down Rehov Ben-Yehuda and Jaffa Road to the Old City.

The athletes marched behind massed Israeli flags, through Jaffa Gate, and to the Wall. Old City residents, including clergymen, watched the parade with interest.

The colourfully dressed contingents, bearing their national flags, were led by girls in white carrying signs identifying their nationality. The Americans, dressed in red and white, were the dominant group.

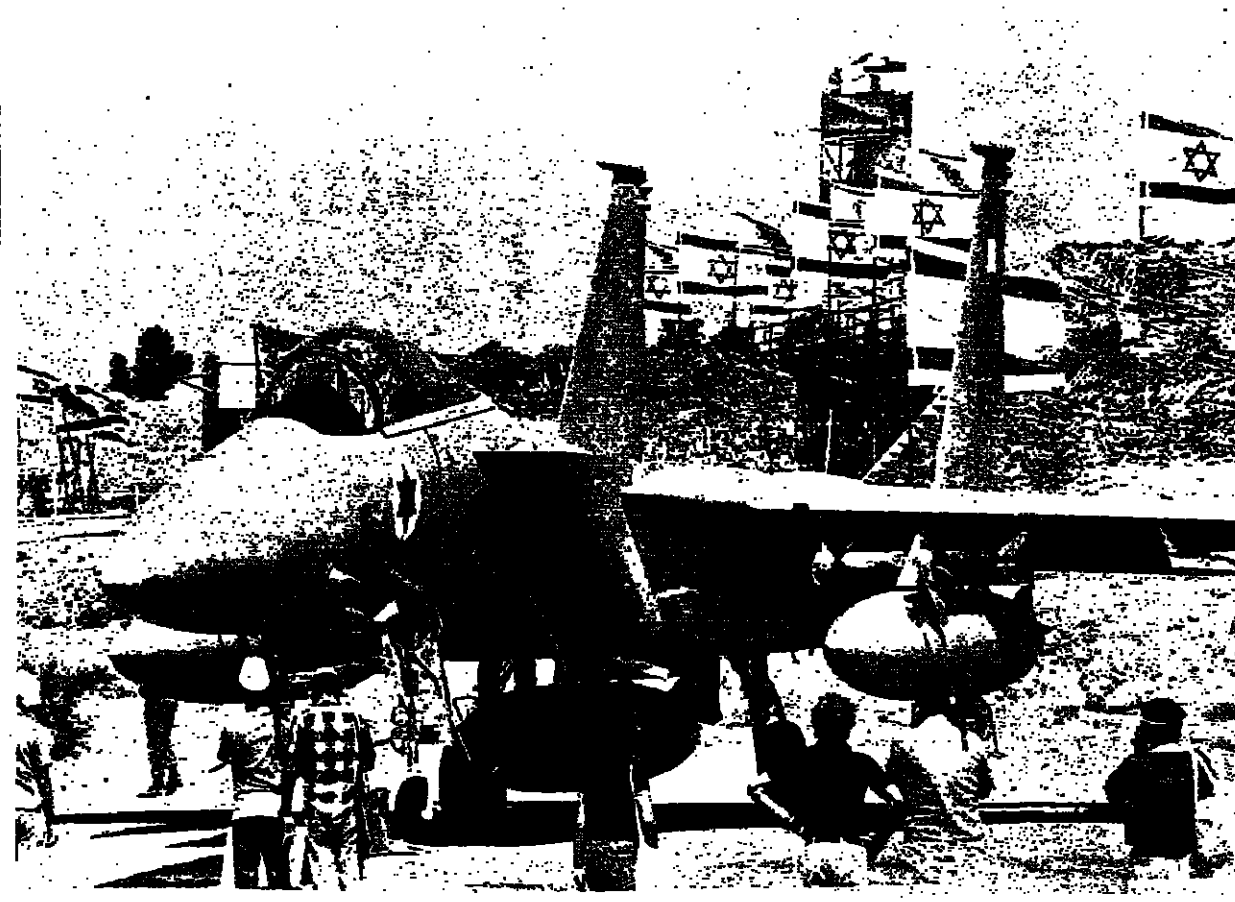
The ceremony concluded with the snuffing out of the Maccabiah flame and lowering of the Maccabiah flag. The flag was presented to Pierre Gillegance, president of the Macabiah World Union, who will be Guardian of the Flag until the next Maccabiah in four years.

Maccabiah aliya

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Over 500 sportsmen and tourists here for the Maccabiah have expressed some interest in aliya, according to Kalman Gross, director of Tour Valeh, the Jewish Agency company which works with tourists considering aliya.

Sports associations have been working with Tour Valeh to encourage aliya, Gross said. "Of course, they are most interested in football and basketball stars," he said. "But in the case of good athletes and swimmers, they are sometimes able to offer possibilities such as a job as sports teacher or coach, or a university scholarship, plus the chance to continue in the person's chosen sport."



Photographers close in on the F-15, which was given its first public display in Israel yesterday. (Rubinger)

F-15 shines in Israeli debut

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Military Correspondent

The Air Force yesterday put the F-15 on display for the first time since the American plane arrived here last December. The F-15 took part in a display yesterday afternoon at a base somewhere in Israel on the occasion of Air Force Day.

Defence Minister Ezer Weizman pinned wings on four outstanding cadets, while OC Air Force, Aluf Elyanin Peled, presented wings to other cadets who successfully completed pilot and navigator training courses.

The F-15 Eagle, one of 28 ordered from McDonnell Douglas in early 1976, carried out a series of tight loops and rolls, which highlighted a modest but impressive display of pilot dexterity and aircraft manoeuvrability. Another "star" was the Israeli-made Kfir jet fighter, which was piloted by an Israeli Air-Craft Industry test pilot. The CH-53 helicopter drew heavy applause for a surprisingly graceful performance, while the Hercules transport, now associated with the Israeli raid on Entebbe Airport in Uganda, displayed its rocket-enhanced take-off

to the general public for the first time.

In a short speech preceding the display, Weizman said that perhaps this class would be blessed with no work — "and possibly even a boring term of service." He said that never before in the country's history had Israel been closer to a settlement of sorts — "perhaps even peace."

Peled described the power of the force on its 29th birthday. He told the cadets that the wings he had just placed on their left breasts were only as good as the men who wear them. The Air Force, he said, will continue to work at ironing out "those human and technological weaknesses" to ensure the safety of the men who use and fly aircraft — an allusion to last May's tragic helicopter crash which killed 54 airmen and paratroopers. The aerial display was more modest this year than in the past due to budgetary cuts. It started with the

ever-impressive Air Force Eight aerobatic team, operating in Fuga trainer jets and trailing blue smoke. After an explosive "rose" manoeuvre executed over the crowd, attention was diverted to the edge of the runway where a Hercules transport plane took off with a JATO (Jet Assisted Take-Off) system, clearing the runway in a few seconds. One of the most impressive sequences of flying, however, was by a lone Phantom, the backbone of the IAF, which performed a series of loops and rolls, twisting down to 300 feet from over 4,000 feet. The plane's climbing ability and tremendous power were demonstrated in a series of deafening climbs with high attack angles. Another impressive bit of flying was carried out by a veteran pilot on an ancient Havard, once the standard training aircraft of the Air Force.

The only unfortunate thing about the show was that it is limited to several hundred invited guests. A show such as this which costs many millions of pounds, should be seen by the entire nation.

Tisha be'Av — the 'black fast' begins tomorrow night

By JUDY SIEGEL

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Western Wall in Jerusalem's Old City will be a waiting wall for multitudes when Tisha be'Av begins tomorrow night.

The blackest date in the Jewish calendar, the Ninth of Av is the anniversary of the razing of the First Temple by Nebuchadnezzar in 586 B.C.E.; the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 C.E.; the fall of Bar Kochba; the ploughing up of Jerusalem by Hadrian; the signing of the decree to expel the Jews from Spain; and other catastrophes.

For observant Jews, the fast will even intrude on the Sabbath peace. Food is not eaten from 6.45 p.m. tomorrow (even before the end of Shabbat) until 7.10 on Sunday night. The fast of nearly 25 hours ends a three-week mourning period whose strictures become more severe in the first week of Av. Traditionally, meat and wine are shunned, new clothes are not worn, hair is not cut, and weddings are not performed. On the fast day itself, bathing is reduced to rinsing the fingertips and washing the sleep out of one's eyes. Even most Torah study is put aside because it is a "source of joy." Leather shoes are replaced by rubber or plastic footwear as a symbol of mourning.

The Religious Affairs Ministry expects about 150,000 persons to visit the Western Wall during the fast, some of whom will sit on mats and read the Book of Lamentations and liturgical prayers throughout the night. At the holy site, which is helped by reinforcements, and first aid men and ambulances have been readied nearby. The police have prepared special security arrangements at the Wall and in the paths leading to it. The Old City will be closed to vehicular traffic from the onset of the fast until the end of Tisha be'Av. The scene of prayer and mourning will be repeated in synagogues throughout the country.

Places of entertainment and most restaurants will be closed on Saturday night and Sunday, as will banks. Because Tisha be'Av is an "optional" day off for workers who observe the fast, some government offices, stores and businesses will be closed for part of the day or operate with reduced staffs. TV and radio schedules have been prepared with the day of mourning in mind. A few hours before the end of the fast, hundreds of Habad hassidim will spread out from their centres around the country and offer passersby a chance to put on tefilin.

Begin in Washington

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reconvening the conference to the President, has taken the initiative. "The ball is now in the Arab court," one informed source here said. Vance, who will visit the Arab capitals before Jerusalem, will present the Begin plan to the Arabs for consideration. He will then report to Israel on their reaction. Later, in September, the Secretary will attempt to resolve outstanding procedural questions while the Arab and Israeli foreign ministers attend the UN meeting.

It was clear that Begin was pleased with his meetings with the President and other American officials. He believes that he has established a close working relationship with Carter, based on mutual respect and trust. The President told Begin not to hesitate to call, write or cable him at any time.

The "chemistry" between Begin and Carter is also apparently better than it had been between the President and Rabin. Carter did not hide the fact that he was not pleased with Rabin's style during his talks here in March — talks that included several rough moments when the two leaders disagreed on important issues.

Begin is said to be impressed by the fact that Carter spent last weekend reading "The Revolt," the Prime Minister's autobiography, which includes details on his role in the Irgun underground and the struggle for the creation of Israel.

According to a source close to Begin, the President did not exert any pressure during their talks. They had a very "enjoyable and informative" conversation, the source said.

The Israeli party is also pleased that Carter has agreed to release to Israel sophisticated hydrofoil patrol boats, some \$100m. towards the development of the Israel battle tank, the Merkava, and some helicopters. This package is now being prepared, and official announcement will be made shortly. But the President is said to have asked Begin to refrain from establishing Israel settlements during this crucial period. Without making any firm commitments, the Prime Minister reportedly told Carter that

any such decision would have to be made by the Cabinet.

Begin made the point that it was absurd that Jews could live in all the Bethlehems, Hebrons, and Shilohs of America — particularly in Ohio and Pennsylvania where there are several small towns named after these biblical cities — while they could not live in the original cities themselves.

Asked whether Carter had asked Begin not to establish any additional settlements in advance of Geneva, the Israeli source replied: "No comment."

Begin also handed the President a document outlining Israel's contributions to America's national security over the years. According to Israeli sources here, the President, after reading the document on Tuesday evening, told the Israel leader the next day that he had no idea that Israel had done so much for the U.S.

The sources, however, declined to release the contents of the document, apparently for security reasons.

Katzir congratulates Prime Minister Begin

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday sent a cable to Prime Minister Menachem Begin, congratulating him on his "successful talks" with U.S. President Jimmy Carter.

In a message forwarded by government secretary Arye Naor, the President wished Begin continued success, adding that "the success of the Prime Minister is the success of the nation."

Begin may agree to UN units in Lebanon

WASHINGTON (AP). — Prime Minister Menachem Begin has agreed to consider an American proposal for the stationing of UN emergency forces in South Lebanon, sources here said yesterday.

Begin is reported to have told a Congressional group with whom he met, that Christians in Lebanon would have been "annihilated" without Israel help.

CRIME REPORT

TWO PORTERS at Ben-Gurion Airport were arrested Wednesday night on suspicion of stealing watches worth IL100,000 from the goods shed at the airport. Police laid an ambush and caught the two men when they returned to the shed to retrieve the stolen watches, which they had removed from their packaging and had hidden under a shelf.

TWO BAG-SNATCHERS were sentenced to nine months in prison and were each fined IL1,000 for stealing a handbag from an American tourist outside the King David Hotel in Jerusalem last Tuesday. Prompt action by the police resulted in the arrest of the two men, Dan Amoyal and Shimon Ben-Harosh, soon after the theft, with the stolen handbag still in their possession.

A **WOMAN** traffic inspector in Jerusalem was assaulted yesterday by an irate driver after she had given him a parking ticket. He has been arrested for questioning.

IN A LARGE drugs roundup, Jerusalem police this week arrested a 24-year-old drug pusher with some 135 grams of hashish, worth thousands of pounds, on his person. They also arrested 42 persons suspected of taking drugs, including an 18-year-old Swiss tourist and three residents of the Christian Quarter in the Old City.

A **BATHER** on Tel Aviv's Gordon Beach was arrested yesterday on suspicion of improper behaviour with an eight-year-old girl. He allegedly enticed her into the water, and spent more than an hour with her before lifeguards were alerted by the child's mother. A driver in the Frison Service was sentenced to a year and a half in jail by the Tel Aviv District Court yesterday for indecent behaviour with the five-year-old daughter of a colleague, who had left her in his care three years ago.

COUNSEL FOR two brothers from East Jerusalem, who are being held on suspicion of murder, yesterday submitted medical evidence in the Jerusalem Magistrates Court claiming that they had been beaten in the course of their interrogation.

The judge, who extended their remand for 15 days, ordered the police to permit the suspects' counsel to be on hand whenever his clients are interrogated.

The two brothers, Shaouk and Zaydan Kassem, are thought to be implicated in the murder of the owner of a sports club, whom they suspected of having seduced their 16-year-old brother.

A police representative told the court that after a complaint was submitted alleging that the two had been beaten, an examining officer had been appointed to look into the matter.

Murderer sentenced

HAIFA. — The murderer who killed Gavriel Hohlshavil last October (Tzvi Zaslanshvil), Meir Melucha (Tzvi Zaslanshvil), was sentenced to life imprisonment in the District Court here on Wednesday.

The court found that after a quarrel over the sale of old Russian coins and German marks Melucha beat the deceased's skull in with a broken bottle, poured sulphuric acid on his face and stuffed his mouth with a rag which caused his death by asphyxia.

Rabbi Prof. Louis & Tania Rabinowitz

sincerely desire to thank all friends and institutions who have expressed to them their good wishes on their

Golden Wedding Anniversary

They have decided, in place of a celebration, to make donations to various institutions, including the Hebrew

University, Shaare Zedek Hospital, Ezrat Nashim, Yad La-Kashish and Yeshivot Hesder.

6 Rehov Mapu, Jerusalem.

Announcement to our American Chaverim and Friends

The Jerusalem Solidarity Conference of the Religious Zionists of America

marking the 75th Jubilee of the Mizrachi Movement

will take place at Hechal Shlomo

July 28 — July 31, 1977

Registration of delegates at Beit Meir,

54 King George St., Jerusalem

Wednesday, July 27, 9 a.m. — 12 noon and 3 — 6 p.m.

Thursday, July 28, 9 a.m. — 2 p.m.

Summer Closing of Licensing Offices

Area licensing offices in Judea and Samaria will be closed during annual staff holidays, August 7-31, 1977.

Owners of vehicles for which the licence is due for renewal in August are asked to apply as soon as possible to the licensing office in order to obtain a licence fee form.

The licensing offices at Ramallah and Nablus will be open twice a week for the handling of urgent problems — see notice displayed at licensing offices.

We mourn the passing of my dear wife, our mother and grandmother

ELISE IZKOVITCH-KANN

The funeral will leave from Rambam Hospital, Haifa for the new cemetery at Kfar Samir, today, Friday, July 22, at 11.30 a.m.

Dr. I. Izkovitch
David Izkovitch
Ziva and Itamar Arbel
Jona, and Dr. Egon Riss
and Grandchildren

FBI foils plot to smuggle Cruise missile parts to Cuba

MIAMI. — Federal agents yesterday arrested an American and a West German accused of plotting to smuggle cruise missile parts to a Soviet agent in Cuba, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) announced.

The two were also accused of plotting to sell nuclear fuels and other material to the Soviet Union or East Germany. They were charged with failure to register as agents of a foreign power — a charge less severe than espionage because the government wants to expedite the case, a knowledgeable source said. It carries a fine of \$5,000 (\$10,000) and up to 10 years in jail. The FBI said further charges might be filed.

An FBI spokesman identified the pair as Carl John Heiser III, 32, of Highland Beach, Florida, and Carl Lutz Weischenberg, 33, a West German citizen residing in Freeport in the Bahamas. He said the two were arrested yesterday morning at Fort Lauderdale Airport.

U.S. Magistrate Peter Palermo ordered them held without bail pending a hearing on Friday.

According to an affidavit under

which the FBI obtained the arrest warrants, the pair were suspected of preparing to smuggle to a Russian in Cuba parts of a cruise missile aboard a cabin cruiser already purchased by Heiser.

The affidavit, based largely on information given to the FBI by confidential informants, also said that Weischenberg was awaiting trial in West Germany on high treason charges.

President Carter last month chose the cruise missile as a major nuclear deterrent in the U.S. defence arsenal, at the same time scrapping plans to build the controversial B-1 bomber.

One of the most deadly weapons in the U.S. arsenal, the cruise missile can fly at low altitudes to avoid detection by enemy radar. It is guided to its targets by television cameras with pinpoint accuracy. The 4.2 m. missile resembles a small plane and is tipped with a nuclear warhead.

The affidavit said Heiser and Weischenberg planned to supply nuclear fuels, cruise missile com-

ponents and gyro-compasses — devices to stabilize missiles in flight — to the Soviets. There was no indication of what cruise components the pair were alleged to have had, how they obtained them, or if they had delivered them.

The FBI had apparently kept watch on the two since early last year through confidential informants. The affidavit said the arrests came after more than two years of investigation and involved numerous contacts between the pair and FBI informants.

When arrested at the airport, Heiser was transporting Weischenberg, who was intending to take a flight from Fort Lauderdale to Freeport, Bahamas, the spokesman said.

Heiser's mother, Mrs. Carl Heiser Jr. of nearby Boca Raton, said in a telephone interview that her son ran a collection agency in Boca Raton. She also said her son had been in Germany during the past year.

Asked where in Germany, Mrs. Heiser said, "East Germany, the one that's on our side, isn't it?"

(Reuters, AP)

Lebanese considering plan to pacify southern border

SHTOURA, Lebanon (Reuters). — Lebanese Prime Minister Selim al-Hosni yesterday sought special powers for his government as a high-powered joint committee meeting here decided on a plan for full execution of the 1969 Cairo accord to secure peace in Lebanon.

The details of the plan for implementing the remaining parts of the pact have not been officially revealed. But it is said to provide for the entry of Lebanese forces into southern Lebanon to separate Lebanese Christian and leftist-PLO forces and create buffer zones between them.

According to some press reports, the plan also provides for

withdrawal of Palestinian terrorists from areas close to the Israeli border to the mountainous Arkoub region, known as "Fatahland."

The commander of the largely Syrian Arab peace-keeping force in Lebanon, Lieutenant-Colonel Samih al-Khatib, who attended the committee meeting, said two sub-committees would work out a specific programme with a timetable for implementing the accord.

Representatives of Lebanon, Syria and the PLO attended the meeting which lasted for two hours behind closed doors in a hotel in this summer resort town near the Syrian border.

Sri Lanka voters show their colours

COLOMBO (Reuters). — Crowds of several hundred queued outside polling booths in Colombo yesterday as Sri Lankans voted in the first general election in the Indian Ocean state in seven years.

The green shirts, hats, and saris of the opposition United National Party (UNP) were far more numerous in Colombo streets than the blue of Prime Minister Sirimavo Bandaranaike's Sri Lanka Freedom Party (SLFP).

The colourful party supporters gathered near polling booths despite an appeal from election officials that voters should not wear their party colours.

Nevertheless, voting was peaceful and orderly and police said that no incidents had been reported after the first two hours. Strict security precautions were in force, with the country's entire 15,000-man police force on duty.

Mrs. Bandaranaike, 61, the world's only woman prime minister, is seeking a third term in office.

Her main opponent is the 70-year-old UNP leader Junius Jayewardene, who has predicted that his party will win between 90 and 100 seats in the 168-seat parliament.

The SLFP held 85 seats to the UNP's 17 when the last parliament was dissolved in May, but political observers here say there appears to have been a strong swing against the government.

The Sri Lanka electorate is highly sophisticated, nearly 85 per cent of voters cast their ballots in the 1970 elections.

Demirel back as Turkish PM

ANKARA (Reuters). — Conservative leader Süleyman Demirel became Turkey's prime minister yesterday, resuming office at the head of a right-wing coalition.

In his 28-man cabinet, disclosed by the presidential press office, Demirel's two right-wing allies — the Islamic Nationalist Necmettin Erbakan and ultra-rightist Alparslan Türkeş — are deputy premiers, as they were in the Demirel-led coalition that held office until last month's elections.

Veteran diplomat İhsan Sabri Caglayangil became foreign minister.

Demirel resumed office exactly one month after he stepped down following last month's inconclusive elections.

Demirel, who served as Turkey's premier from 1965 to 1971 and from 1975 to last June 21, regained power after once again patching together a shaky alliance of rightist parties led by his Justice Party (JP), second biggest in the new parliament with 189 seats.

When he stepped down last month, Social Democratic leader Bülent Ecevit, head of the biggest party in parliament, succeeded him with a minority government.

Reddy is India's new, 'silent' president

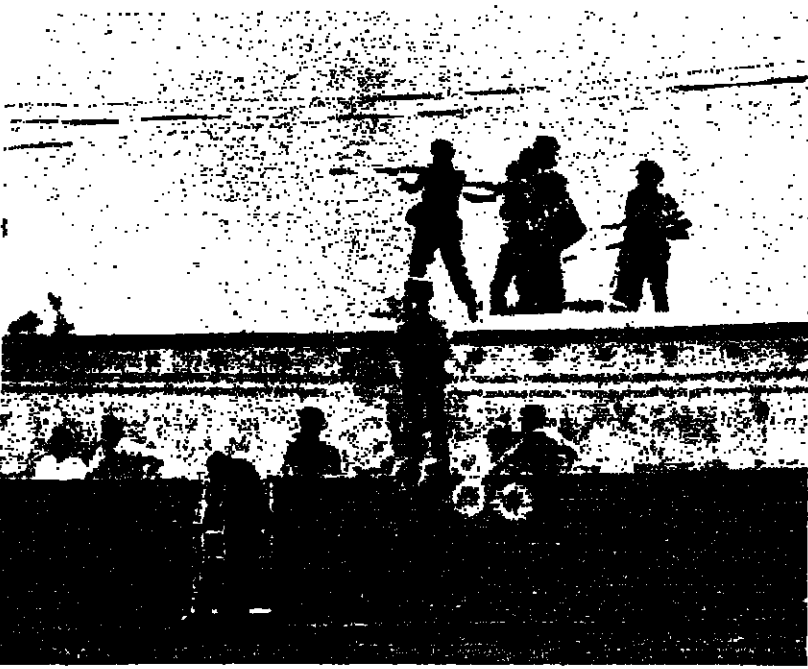
NEW DELHI (Reuters). — Neelam Sanjiva Reddy yesterday was declared elected as the new president of India.

Reddy, a South Indian who was the agreed candidate of all major political parties, was unopposed. He will be sworn in on Monday as India's sixth president.

The office is a largely ceremonial one. Under the constitution, which was amended last year by the former Congress Party government, he is bound to accept the advice of the Cabinet.

Reddy resigned as Speaker of the Lok Sabha (lower house of parliament) to stand for president.

Samachar News Agency quoted Reddy as saying that "the Speaker is seen but not heard, and the president is neither seen nor heard." Reddy added: "I would like to do something silent."



Shield-carrying riot police take shooting positions yesterday atop one of the buildings inside Madrid's Carabanchel Prison, prior to attacking about 500 rioting inmates on the prison roof. (UPI/Telephoto)

Spaniards retake prison

MADRID. — Police crashed into Madrid's Carabanchel Prison yesterday and forced 500 mutinous inmates to surrender, the news agency Cifra said.

Several prisoners and police were reported injured in the assault, which came after the rebels repelled two attacks earlier in the day.

The police attack followed a five-hour bombardment with smoke grenades and rubber bullets in an effort to end the four-day rooftop prison revolt.

Moving to break Spain's worst prison rebellion in decades, the police rained thousands of smoke grenades and sniped with rubber bullets in a daylight bombardment.

The prisoners, battling heat and smoke, hurled bricks and called the police "murderers."

The semi-official news agency said riot police captured three of seven cellblocks held by the prisoners and took the rest of the prison within one hour.

The police attacks to dislodge the prisoners came after pre-dawn negotiations between the prisoners' lawyers and government officials broke down for the second time. An attempt at negotiations failed on Tuesday, and the prisoners demanded the personal intervention of Premier Adolfo Suarez.

The riot at the prison started on Sunday night. Police vans shuttled about 500 other prisoners away and put them in other prisons near the Spanish capital. Prison authorities said the sprawling prison compound was now in the hands of heavily armed police.

Rioting prisoners were helped by friends and relatives who gathered outside the prison to harangue police. They later set fire to a pile of wood on one side of the prison. (AP, UPI, Reuters).

37 dead in Johnstown flood

JOHNSTOWN, PA. (AP). — Flood waters from rain swollen mountain creeks have receded, leaving behind devastation and at least 37 dead in the valleys around this southwestern Pennsylvania steel town.

A 42-km stretch of small creeks and rivers were heavily battered on Wednesday when torrential rains fell, dropping up to 21 cm of rain in seven hours starting about 9 p.m. local time.

There were widespread reports of persons missing and presumed dead, but communications were erratic and rescue efforts were delayed by deep water.

Civil defence officials estimated 2,000 persons were homeless in one area alone. It was not known how many were dislodged elsewhere.

It was the third major flood in 88 years in Johnstown, whose name became synonymous with disaster after the Johnstown flood of 1889 killed 2,200 people.

Governor Milton Shapp toured the area by helicopter with U.S. Senator John Heinz and declared an extreme state of emergency. They asked the White House for federal disaster relief funds.

The rain came from a storm that hung over the area as people slept. "That thunderstorm didn't move last night. I watched it sit there on the radar for six or seven hours," said a spokesman for the National Weather Service.

He noted that the rainfall overwhelmed a flood control system designed to handle 35,000 cubic feet of water per second, but the system protected cities like Pittsburgh to the west of here. He added that the flood channels were designed to handle water levels that might occur once every hundred years.

Wilson: De Gaulle feared '67 would bring on world war

PARIS (AP). — Former British Prime Minister Harold Wilson said in a French television interview broadcast yesterday that Gen. Charles De Gaulle was convinced that the 1967 Mideast war would lead to World War III.

Wilson met with De Gaulle at Versailles for three hours on June 5, 1967, the day after the Six-Day War began, and De Gaulle told Wilson that the full-scale war had even begun.

"He was furious at Israel," Wilson said. "Worst of all, he was convinced that a Third World War was going to follow by September."

Turning to the then six-member Common Market, Wilson said De Gaulle appeared to be neither for nor against the British entering the European Economic Community.

But he said a British diplomat in Paris at the time explained France's position by saying: "De Gaulle regarded the six as a hen house in which there were five hens and one rooster."

Ethiopians 'crush' thousands of Somalis in desert battles

NAIROBI. — Ethiopian troops and militia men have "crushed thousands" of Somali insurgents in six desert battles in southeast Ethiopia, the official Ethiopian News Agency claimed yesterday.

The battles apparently marked the start of a major Ethiopian counter-offensive to try to win back vast areas of the disputed Ogaden desert region, where insurgents have gained control after nearly two months of bitter fighting.

Ethiopian Radio also implicated the U.S. in the escalating desert conflict, which threatens to erupt into full-scale war between Ethiopia and Somalia.

Hundreds of machineguns, 80 mortars and many rocket launchers and bazookas were captured, along with vehicles bearing Somali government number plates, the report added.

It said the action took place in districts around Gode, Warder, Kebri Dehar and Dega Habur in the Ogaden desert, and in fighting around the important towns of Harar and Dire Dawa.

The agency said the weapons captured included American-made M-16 automatic rifles, which "clearly shows that American imperialism, on the basis of its secret deal with the reactionary Mogadishu regime, has begun indirectly to arm Somalia to violate the territorial integrity of Ethiopia and to reverse the course of the popular revolution."

The agency said that "among the hundreds of captured infiltrating enemy troops" were officers and men of the regular Somali army who fought alongside the ethnic Somalis of Ogaden.

Ethiopia has consistently charged Somali regular troops were taking part in the fighting, which has escalated sharply in recent weeks.

Mogadishu just as consistently denied the charges, saying that only Somali-backed irregulars fighting for independence in the Ogaden were involved.

The Somali insurgents stepped up their operations in the mountains around Harar and Dire Dawa early in June, when they blew up several bridges on the key single-track railway which links the Ethiopian capital with the port of Djibouti. Repair crews have come under fire and the railway, which normally carries about one-third of Ethiopia's foreign trade, is still closed.

The Ethiopians several weeks ago began airlifting regular troops and the vanguard of militia units into Dire Dawa to beef up badly outnumbered and over-stretched garrisons before launching their own offensive.

The Ogaden conflict has quickly escalated into the second most serious issue facing the embattled Marxist military government of Lt. Col. Mengistu Haile Mariam — outweighed only by the situation in the northern Eritrea province, where secessionists have recently conducted a major offensive, capturing the strategic town of Keren.

Meanwhile, the Soviet Union, which is the main arms supplier to Ethiopia, yesterday opened a direct air link between Moscow and Addis Ababa. (UPI, Reuters)

Unita guerrillas overrun southern Angolan town

WINDHOEK, South West Africa. — Anti-government Unita guerrillas routed Angolan government forces from the southern Angola border town of Cuangar, Kavango tribal authorities said yesterday.

Fierce fighting erupted Wednesday morning when a force of 200 guerrillas of the National Movement for the Total Liberation of Angola (Unita) attacked the government outpost with rockets, mortars and machineguns along the Kavango river which divides Angola and South West Africa.

Refugees who fled across the river said many soldiers of the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) were killed in a Unita ambush after the attack began.

The Johannesburg afternoon newspaper "The Star" quoted reliable sources saying 400 soldiers and backers of the MPLA fled across the fast flowing river to escape the battle chaos.

It quoted sources in the Kavango tribal homeland saying Unita forces sent on a rampage after the attack and killed civilians indiscriminately in their villages.

Cuangar was overrun by Unita forces on June 14, when they burned down MPLA headquarters, took abandoned equipment and then withdrew the same night.

Dr. Jonas Savimbi, who failed in a bid to rule the country during the Angola civil war last year, was quoted earlier this month saying he intended to declare southeastern Angola independent at the end of this year.

Military officials on the border in South West Africa say the claim is "not too far-fetched" since the ruling MPLA is weak in this area, traditionally a stronghold for Savimbi's Unita movement.

It is regarded as generally pro-Western compared with the MPLA, which used Soviet weapons and Cuban troops in defeating Unita and another liberation movement, FNLA (National Front for the Liberation of Angola) in the civil war.

Last week, Angola accused South African forces of shooting down a Russian-built Antonov aircraft on takeoff from Cuangar, killing many of its 30 occupants.

South Africa denied the charge and said Unita had shot down the plane. (Reuters, UPI)

U.S. begins stockpiling oil in cave

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. government began pumping the first oil for its planned 500-million-barrel strategic petroleum reserve into an underground cavern in Louisiana yesterday.

The oil stockpile, planned to protect the U.S. against any sudden supply interruption like the Arab oil embargo of 1973, was opened formally by presidential energy adviser James Schlesinger.

Under an accelerated storage plan submitted by the Carter Administration last May, the nation will place some 250 million barrels of oil in a strategic stockpile by December 22, 1978. The 500-million-barrel mark is to be reached by the end of 1980.

Smelly prehistoric giant thrown back into sea

TOKYO. — Was it a hoax? A deep-sea version of the Loch Ness monster? Or a prehistoric plesiosaurus? Excited natural history experts believe the mysterious two-ton corpse caught off New Zealand may have been the latter — a huge reptile thought to have died 100 million years ago.

No one can say for sure though, because whatever it was smelt awful, prompting the Japanese fishermen to dump what one paleontologist described as "possibly the find of the century" back into the ocean.

The 2,700 metric-ton Zuiyo Maru was towing off Christchurch, New Zealand, last April 10 when its nets shared the unidentified dead animal at 3,000 metres. Hoisted to the surface, the creature was about 60 metres long, with four flippers and a long neck and tail.

The overpowering stench and the unpleasant fatty liquids oozing onto the deck overcame the fishermen's curiosity over an animal neither they, nor any of the natural scientists since consulted had ever seen before. Afraid the animal would spoil their cargo of fish, they took measurements and photographs and dropped the corpse back in the ocean.

Japanese paleontologists are aghast that the animal's skeleton was not preserved for study. Working from colour photographs and sketches made by Michihiko Yano, 39, a fishery company executive who was on the trawler, they believe it may have been a plesiosaurus. The marine reptiles flourished 100 million years ago and one species of plesiosaur is known to have lived in the seas off eastern Australia.

"It's not a fish, whale or any other mammal," said Prof. Yoshinori Imazumi, director general of animal research at the Japanese National Science Museum. "It's a reptile and the sketch looks very much like a plesiosaurus." When the fishing vessel returned to Japan last month, the photos and Yano's sketch and hand-drawn notes were passed over to Imazumi and other professors for study.

After the "Asahi Shimbun" broke the story on Wednesday, Imazumi said: "This was a precious and important discovery for human beings. It seems to show that these animals are not extinct after all. It's impossible for only one to have survived. There must be a group."

If verified, the existence of living

plesiosaurs would be an outstanding discovery. The available evidence does not allow a definite conclusion, yet natural historians certainly do not dismiss the possibility that descendants of the prehistoric giants may be lurking in the great depths of the southern seas. The marine environment is generally more favourable than land for the survival of dying species, and if plesiosaurs exist anywhere the southern seas are a good bet, scientists say.

Tantalized by Yano's colour photographs, scientists are now anxious to recover another of the creature, preferably alive. Eight fishing boats in the area off New Zealand have been ordered to watch out for the original corpse. If they net any of its relatives, they must bring them back — presumably holding their noses for long periods if necessary.


THE ISRAEL FESTIVAL 1977

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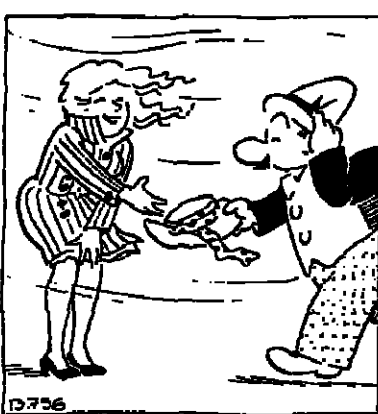


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RENTALS



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★ Sale, Honda 50, end 1974, excellent condition. 471225.

★ Bargain, Moped, 1972, excellent condition. 54 Sokolov, Ramat Hasharon.

★ Sprint 1968 + sidecar, excellent mechanical condition. 03-542685.

★ Bargain! Honda 125, 1970, IL2, 000, Tel. 03-482050.

★ Vespa Sprint 69, excellent condition, after overhaul. 705859 not Shabbat.

★ Giller 30 - 1974 in good condition. Tel. 746653.

★ For sale Moped '71, almost new in excellent condition. 471225.

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★ Wanted to buy Volvo private, 1974-75, manual gear. 051-92978.

★ Wanted, Ford Escort, 76-77, without accident history. 03-864064.

★ Fiat Sport 128 SL, 1974, or Subaru G5N, 1975, 1400cc, 707170.

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★ Susita Commercial, excellent condition, '66, year's test, 911100, evenings.

★ Commercial Opel Rekord 1700, '66, 332540, 724595.

★ 1961 Beetle, year's test, excellent condition. Tel. 537082.

★ Renault 16 T.L., '73, automatic, IL15,000, 717497.

★ Fiat 124, '70, year's test, paintwork. 723428.

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★ Urgent! For sale Audi 100 automatic, 1973, 42 Pinksler, Herzliya. Tel. work (from Sunday) 735060.

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★ Prinz 1000, 1968, reconditioned engine, radio, test, 851935, 855564.

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★ Hillman Hunter, 1968, good condition. Interested in 71-72 model. 944645.

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★ Due to departure, Carmel Ducar, Ford, 1965, excellent. 961783.

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★ Susita station 1971, IL30,000, one owner, 903585.

★ Susita station 1969, good condition. Tel. 710747.

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Where to go to synagogue and get a kosher meal in Portugal or Spain

By MARTIN STERN
Special to The Jerusalem Post

NOW that we have established diplomatic relations with Portugal, many Israelis will probably be including the Iberian Peninsula in their overseas holiday itineraries.

It is believed that Jews were to be found in this area of Europe in Roman times, but when Christianity became dominant, persecution followed. After the Arab conquest in 711, Spain became one of the greatest centres of Jewish learning and scholarship and Jews attained positions of great political influence. The "Golden Age of Spain" lasted until the 13th century but then the situation of the Jews began to deteriorate ending with the massacre of 1391, mass conversions to Christianity, and finally the expulsion in 1492.

In 13th century Portugal, the Jewish community was largely self-governing and prosperous. As in Spain, the situation deteriorated, but the Jews of Portugal were still able to offer a haven for their Spanish brethren in 1492. Four years later, an expulsion decree was proclaimed against Portuguese Jewry. However, unlike Spain, the Portuguese King insisted on forced mass baptisms, but many of these "New Christians" were among the 20,000 victims of the "autos-da-fé" which were public spectacles till as late as 1742.

Today, there are about 8,000 Jews in Spain — 3,500 in Barcelona, 2,500 in Madrid, 500 in Malaga and small numbers in Valencia and Seville. Before the Spanish Civil War, communities existed in Barcelona and Madrid but official recognition came only in 1968 when synagogues were opened. The Barcelona Synagogue — the first to be built in Spain since the Inquisition — is situated at Calle Porvenir 24. (Tel. 228-67-03). Calle de Call — a street in the oldest part of

the city — recalls the ancient Jewish community. Most of the centuries-old Jewish tombstones are now at the Provincial Archaeological Museum. There are no formal kosher facilities but there is a vegetarian restaurant at Calle Canada 41.

The ancient synagogue of Cordoba is at Judios 30. The home of Rabbi Moses Maimonides is in Plaza Maimonides which has a statue of the renowned scholar. There is much of Jewish interest in the Casa y Templo.

The modern synagogue in Madrid is in Calle de Balmes 3. It was at the consecration of the building in 1968 that it was announced that the ban placed on the Jews in 1492 had been lifted. The Sinal Restaurant at Jose Antonio 29 2°C, is kosher. Kosher meals are also available at the Jewish Centre at Calle de Balmes 3. The National Archaeological Museum at Calle de Serrano 13 contains casts of Hebrew inscriptions from mediaeval buildings. The Calle de la Fe facing San Lorenzo Church is the site of the ancient Jewish quarter.

Though Toledo has no established community today, it is the historical centre of Spanish Judaism. The two ancient synagogues are Santa Maria la Blanca and El Tránsito in Calle de Samuel Levi. The former is now a church while the latter has been turned into a museum of Sephardi culture. The Plaza de la Judería stands between the two buildings and was part of the city's two ancient Jewish quarters where many houses and streets are still virtually as they were 500 years ago.

THE PORTUGUESE Jewish community is barely 600 strong, the majority residing in Lisbon. There are daily services at the Sephardi Synagogue, Rua Alexandre Herculano 59. (Tel. 661-592) and the congregation are always helpful in directing tourists to the site of the ancient Jewish quarter. The communal office is at Rua do Monte Olivete 16 (Tel. 664436 and 664458); here up-to-date information on kosher facilities can be obtained.

GIBRALTAR has a Jewish community numbering about 650 and its Prime Minister is a Jew.

Jews started to reach "The Rock" after the British occupation in 1704, coming originally from North Africa and Italy and later from England. The Shaar Hashamayim Synagogue was built in the middle of the 18th century. The hospitality of Gibraltar Jewry is well known especially to Jewish servicemen who have had occasion to visit the Rock during the festival season.

Among tourist attractions are the cable cars to the top of the Rock as well as excursions to Morocco. Kosher meals are served by prior arrangement at the Jewish Social and Cultural Club, 10 Bomb House Lane. (Tel. 3158). Special arrangements can be made for Shabbat. There are no kosher hotels but



Interior of the synagogue in Madrid

The Holiday Inn and Rock Hotel will provide vegetarian diets if required. MAJORCA, which was the scene of blood libels against Jews in the 15th century has had a Jewish communi-

ty since 1966. There is also a kosher hotel — De Mar Illetes (Tel. 231546-8) which is a 15-minute ride from Palma.

(This is the second of two articles)

An 8,000 ruble bribe will get a Jewish boy into the Vinnitsa medical school

THE JEWISH SCENE
Geoffrey Wigoder

"EVERY YEAR anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union gets worse. The children of Jews are no longer admitted to higher institutes of learning — or if they are, it's through bribery and corruption. One of the most corrupt characters I've had contact with was a man called Zelinsky who was secretary to the Admissions Committee of the Medical Institute of Vinnitsa. Enquiries, including Jews were accepted at 4,000-8,000 rubles a time. He became a millionaire. These words were written recently in the London "Observer" by Dr. Mikhail Shtern, the endocrinologist, who was allowed to leave Russia in April and is now in Israel.

The actual statistics on Jews in higher education in Russia have been carefully analysed by two Jerusalem scholars — Mordecai Altschuler (writing in *Behinot*) and Michael Chetnik (in *Soviet Jewish Affairs*).

As in many countries, Russian Jews formed a disproportionately high percentage of students at universities as soon as these were open to them. But recent years have witnessed a sharp decline, both absolutely and relatively. The drop in the relative number of Jewish students was only to be expected (a similar process has happened in the U.S.). As other sections of the population improved their educational level, greater numbers of their younger people attained university standards. In the U.S.S.R., however, something else has happened — the absolute number of Jewish students has dropped despite the fact that the total number of students has continued to rise steeply. Twenty years ago Jews constituted over four per cent of the total student population; today, much less than two per cent. There was a very sharp drop in the early sixties due to Khrushchev's policies of giving precedence to higher education to those with experience in labour.

But the sharpest drop for Jews was in the 1968-1972 period when there was a drop of over 20 per cent in the number of Jewish students. This was partly due to emigration — but largely to the severe restrictions on admitting new Jewish students. Students who had applied for an exit visa were immediately excluded from university — others who contemplated emigration did not even bother to apply. Another relevant factor in the decreasing proportion of Jews was their aging population — with a dropping fertility rate vis-à-vis other peoples, they had less young people reaching university age.

The greatest concentration of Jewish students is in Moscow, where almost 20 per cent of Jewish students in Russia are studying. In the Ukraine, their proportions are much smaller — as a result of more severe discrimination. In general only the exceptionally gifted are admitted to universities and Jewish students have difficulties in being accepted for even evening and correspondence courses. Many young Jews go to study in more remote regions where the *numerus clausus* is not so stringent. This explains the relatively high proportion of Jewish students in some of the Asiatic centres.

An analysis of statistics shows a big drop in the number of Jewish scientific workers. Jews were a great force in this field from the early days of the Bolshevik revolution. Even in the 1930s the great demand for high-class physicists was largely met by Jews, even in the delicate security establishments. This changed from the mid-1960s when drastic restrictions on Jews were introduced. New scientific staffs of Jews of the middle and younger generations are virtually barred

from major research institutes. The proportion of Jews in the total number of scientific workers dropped from 15 per cent in 1950 to seven per cent in 1970.

WHAT FIELDS are Jews at universities entering? Altschuler feels the statistics are inadequate to reach conclusions but Chetnik attempts a breakdown. Discrimination led Jews to favour sciences and technology rather than the humanities because job opportunities at the end were greater. Spheres which previously had not attracted Jews became subjects of interest — and Jews are to be found, for example, as agricultural mechanists, zoologists, afforestation experts and specialists in physical education. He estimates that 35-40 per cent of Jewish graduates become school teachers and university lecturers. The number who become physicians had dropped from 20 per cent to six per cent but those of the older and middle generations hold important positions in hospital service and among medical specialists (young Jews find it very difficult to get into hospital service). About 30 per cent work as graduate engineers in various technical fields, mostly mechanical engineering followed by civil engineers and architects. Almost 10 per cent work as economists.

Altschuler's conclusion is that side-by-side with the discrimination, ongoing social factors must not be overlooked in the decline of Jewish students. There is continuing pressure to increase the numbers in academic institutions both of the many peoples who make up the Soviet Union and of social groups — such as manual labourers and villagers where Jews are under-represented. The authorities are susceptible to pressures from these groups and by adding their own anti-Jewish pressures have caused the present situation, to which Dr. Shtern refers so forcefully.

Wonderful language, wonderful people

BIBLICAL BYWAYS
Louis I. Rabinowitz

IT IS impossible, to exaggerate the flexibility of the Hebrew language, which often permits of two completely different, and sometimes even diametrically opposed, possible renderings of one and the same verse. And it is equally impossible to penetrate to the depths of the overwhelming love for their wayward people who possessed some of the most saintly figures in Judaism.

Both of these characteristics are exemplified in a remarkable rendering given to a verse in the Haftarah of this Sabbath, *Shabbat Haazinu*, the Sabbath before Tisha B'Av. Is the one Sabbath of the year in which the spirit of joy which should characterise this day of rest is clouded over?

The Haftarah, which consists of the opening chapter of the Book of

Isaiah, is a sustained diatribe by the prophet against his sinful people. Unsparring in his denunciation of their moral corruption and their debased standards of conduct, he employs the harshest of terms to inveigh against them. They are as bad as the people of Sodom and Gomorrah who were utterly destroyed because of the irredeemable sinfulness of their inhabitants. It includes the verse (1.14) of which the literal translation, as given in the Authorised Version, is "O sinful nation! A people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupted: they have forsaken God, they have provoked the Holy One of

Israel: they have gone backwards." Could there be a weightier indictment?

But R. Levi Yitzhak of Berditchev, one of the great founding fathers of the Hassidic movement, in his great love for his people, would not agree that the prophet could deliver himself in these harsh terms about his people. And he rendered the passage, "O pure people! A nation which finds it difficult to sin, the seed of those who were on terms of familiarity with God, they destroy the Evil Inclination within them. They help the Lord, they have furthered the cause of the Holy One of Israel. They are loth to estrange themselves from Him." Of course it is a purely homiletical rendering for a specific purpose. But the fact is, to give but a few examples, that the root *Hei* can mean both sin and purity, and the root *Ha* both evil and friend and *Azar* can mean both to help and to forsake.

What a language! And what a people!

Lacking in drama

MUSIC REVIEW

THE ISRAELI FESTIVAL "FIDELIO," Opera in two acts by Ludwig Van Beethoven (The Roman Theatre, Casares, July 17).

NO EFFORTS were spared to do justice to the performance of *Fidelio*. The settings — a whole fortress with walls, towers, bridges and gates — were truly monumental. The cast was chosen with great discrimination. The stage direction by Otto Shenk and Joseph Zehetgruber not only yielded excellently acted opera, but brought out impressively the basic themes: loyalty, courage, and the clamour for justice, juxtaposed against what seemed the very incarnation of evil — Pizarro the governor. There was a tremendous investment in lighting equipment. The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra was in relatively good shape and conductor Zubin Mehta provided all the necessary energy, chose the right tempi and dynamics, and adapted everything to the conditions of open-air theatre. Mehta's magnetic personality turned musicians and singers into an excellently coordinated and highly effective team. All this should have given the most exciting results. Yet *Fidelio* did not provide a great experience.

The performance was dominated by three singers: bass William Wilderman as Rocco, the chief jailer; soprano Gundula Janowitz as Leonora; and Jon Vickers as Florestan.

Wilderman was the most wonderful Rocco imaginable. On the one hand, he was fully aware of the score's *Singspiel* roots. On the other, as in the grave-digging scene, he gave full expression, in his own personal way, to the tragedy and the horror. His vocal line was flawless and his diction outstanding.

Gundula Janowitz has a magnificent voice and an impeccable vocal line which deserve all our admiration but theatrically she was not convincing. Her behaviour on stage did not seem natural and she did not reveal Leonora's own personality.

The most striking figure on stage was tenor Jon Vickers as Florestan. His interpretation of the part was highly personal: not the classical hero defying his fate but a romantic, lost in supernatural visions of martyrdom and transfiguration. Extraordinary, strange, original indeed.

The rest of the cast ranged from very good to poor. Baritone Norman Bailey provided a well acted but vocally not very impressive Pizarro. Soprano Stella Richmond was a sweet and vocally very fine Marcelina. Bass Tibor Herdan lacked both the vocal volume and authoritative personality to enact impressively the part of Don Fernando, which undoubtedly impaired the closing scene. Tenor Misha Raitzin was the weakest link. As Jaquino he seemed completely lost on stage and even vocally his part amounted to very little.

Almost the whole first act strikes one as utterly static and sectional. Only the final scene brought relief. Yielding to Fidelio's pleading, Rocco finally allows the prisoners a short spell in the air and the sunlight. While three huge metal lattices are slowly raised from the ground of the central courtyard of the prison, the abused and maltreated prisoners slowly emerge from their subterranean cells. A magnificent chorus follows ("Oh what joy"). This was one of the few really touching moments of the performance for which the directors and the Schoenberg Choir of the Vienna Jeunesses Musicales deserve unqualified praise.

Fidelio remains a magnificent piece of music, each bar of which bears the stamp of Beethoven's genius. But it is painfully lacking in drama and most ungrateful on stage. In addition, the acoustics of the Roman Theatre were quite unsuitable. From where I sat (in the third row of the orchestra) the orchestra sounded damp, devoid of resonance.

Benjamin Bar-Am

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Stoppages hamper trading

TEL AVIV. — Trading in the variables was cancelled yesterday due to the "work stoppages" throughout the country, which affected the employees of the banks as well as those of the stock exchange. Trading even started one hour late, and the turnover in the opening round, IL25m, was comparable to an average day's trading.

By and large, financials were steady, as were investment companies, with land development being mixed, but with rising prices — which has been continuing for some days — in mortgage companies.

Among these mortgage companies, Carmel took the lead, with its bearer rising from 419 to 440, and "buyers only," and without any turnover. Its registered rose from 430 to 462, with a turnover of 34,500. Telat, which has been rising sharply lately, continued to rise yesterday, but with little of the earlier impetus. However, its preferred registered rose by 18 points to stand at 686 to meet a demand of 8,900, and its preferred bearer rose by two points to 670, with a turnover of 11,900.

Ariel Insurance gained 16 to stand at 978 with a turnover of 58,400, while Haasneh bearer rose by 11 points to 741 (77,800).

An investment company, Piyon, put in the highest jump, rising by 7.5 per cent, or 50 points, from 665 to 715, with a turnover of 54,600. But Arad

fell by 6.5 per cent, from 385 to 360, or 25 points after 8,400 were offered. Another "market loser" was Argaman, preferred registered, which fell from 440 to 418, or five per cent, to become "sellers only." However, three other Argaman shares were firm. Unico continued its downward plunge. It has been "sellers only" for several trading sessions, and yesterday was no different. Its registered "A" fell from 600 to 570, and its bearer "A" fell from 604 to 579.

As always, the oil companies fluctuated wildly. An offer to buy one hundred shares caused Lapidot bearer to rise from 2,400 to 2,499 — some 99 points.

Index-linked bonds were steady to weak. The turnover in all bonds was IL8m.

The Nasdaq dollar continued to fall, slipping by seven points to IL11.71.

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Special-interest tours attract second and third-time visitors

By AARON SKITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The battle for the world tourist dollar is being waged in many capitals. In Jerusalem, the war is on the third floor of the former Tourism Ministry building, now a unit of the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism.

Busloads of tourists swarming through shops and hotels jammed with free-spending visitors from abroad "just do not fall out of nowhere," Gershon Achituv explains.

Achituv, assistant director-general for tourist promotion, is an affable Jerusalemite who served as chief of the Israel Tourist Information Office in London before taking up his present post.

He says: "Travellers are doing more figuring now than ever before. This means we, too, must do more planning, work harder to make them consider Israel as one of the possibilities for their holiday trip."

The infrastructure of tourism planning is made up of such stuff as pamphlets, maps, slides, films, lecture services and free sample trips to key persons.

"Tourist promotion, like advertising, is a lively art indeed," Achituv told *The Jerusalem Post*. "You must anticipate the customer's wants before you offer your merchandise."

Anticipating interests means providing "something new" for the growing legion of tourists who are not first-time visitors to Israel.

"We want people to keep coming back here," he says. "But they will not unless they find something novel every time. Fortunately, Israel has plenty of novelty, and the secret seems to be specialization."

He explains: "The first visit is the easiest from our standpoint. The tourist, regardless of his religion, has plenty of sacred sites to see. He will also want to see a little bit of modern Israel because there's wide interest in how the Jews of our age are managing in their own country."

"The grind comes in drawing them back for another round. Here, we have found that zeroing in on a tiny niche of Israel life, and magnifying it, certainly pays off."

Doctors, he points out, like to

travel. But "medical tours" of Israel were found to be inadequate. So, today there are specialized tours for surgeons, anaesthetists, gynaecologists, and other groups of doctors — and the results are startling.

Another case in point is "agricultural tours." Special programmes for farmers did not succeed until they were broken down into separate hothouse-growing, dairying or poultry-breeding tours.

"These super-specialized tours are really going over big," Achituv claims. "We get between 200 and 400 such groups per year, with each group consisting of 30 to 50 members. And these figures do not include the dozens of scientific and professional congresses held here and whose delegates take special tours."

Besides manning a desk, an Israel Tourist Information Office official abroad keeps a close watch on travel trends within his area of responsibility. By maintaining contact with local travel agents, he soon learns of travellers' idiosyncracies. His next sales pitch to Jerusalem may ask: "Do we have any... in Israel? There seems to be a demand for it this fall."

In Jerusalem, Industry, Commerce and Tourism Ministry people will study the enquiry and make some basic economic investigations into the potential market where the enquiring official sits. If it is a sound market, the consideration at headquarters may change from "Do we have it?" to "Can we develop it within a reasonable time?"

This, incidentally, is how Ras Muhammad and other shore points south of Eilat have almost overnight become popular scuba diving territory. Last year, more than 4,000 skin divers from all over the world flooded Eilat, boosting an economy that almost collapsed with the closing of the Timna Copper Mines.

"Besides developing physical facilities," Achituv observed, "we also had to promote the site on a personal basis. So we invited — at our expense — heads of several scuba diving clubs, and a pair of diving writers from 'National Geographic Magazine.' The results are obvious — I wish we had another 500 or 600 hotel rooms in Eilat!"

To prove Israel has everything for everyone, Achituv and his staff are now at work on a "Golden Age holiday package" — a special tourist promotion aimed at retired people all over the world.

Says Achituv: "There are hundreds of thousands of retired people, with plenty of time and money on their hands. We would like to get them to come. Scuba diving and discotheques aside, they could enjoy a restful vacation in the Holy Land. I mean a really slow tour — something like travelling one day and resting the next. Our surveys indicate that the senior citizen group is a fertile ground for Israeli tourism."

One of the most effective tools of tourist promotion is the 16mm colour sound film, according to Achituv. "They are expensive to produce and distribute, but in terms of results they are certainly worth the cost," he insists.

A fine 30-minute film costs us around \$50,000," he explained. "Then there is a \$250 or \$300 charge for each copy, and we order up to 150 copies. We distribute them to television stations, church groups and travel agents and tour organizers."

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El Al service to Portugal in September

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — El Al will soon launch a massive campaign to create interest in Portugal as both a tourist destination and a tourist stop for Israelis, company spokesman Aron Sherman said yesterday.

He believed that the flow of Portuguese tourists, especially pilgrims, to the holy sites here would also be considerable. A standard Boeing 707 will be used on the route.

The new line will be activated on Sunday, September 4, and will fly every Sunday thereafter, with a stop-over in Marseilles. At a later stage, perhaps early in 1978, it is hoped to use the Lisbon airport as a jumping-off point for the Bahamas and Mexico. El Al has landing rights in both countries.

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Struggle to extend rally

NEW YORK (AP). — The stock market was mixed yesterday, struggling to extend the rally of the last four sessions.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, up more than 17 points in the last four days, showed a fractional gain half an hour before the close. But losers maintained a 3 to 2 lead over gainers on the New York stock Exchange-listed issues.

Trading was active.

The Dow average was down about 2 points by noon after the government reported that the U.S. consumer price index rose 0.6 per cent last month, maintaining the 7.2 per cent annual pace set in May.

The news came as a bit of a disappointment to Wall Streeters who had been looking for a moderation in the inflation rate. But later in the session the Dow slowly recouped its early loss.

SA Ltd.	19%	Fair Cam	25%	Mobil	70%
Mer. T & T	4	Gen Dynam	25%	Montanto	69%
Al Rich	58%	Gen Foods	35%	NCR	48%
Iveo	17%	Gen Motors	69%	Oec Pet	28%
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Chrysler	16%	Int. T & T	35%	Telodyne	57%
Coa Cola	39%	John John	70%	Texasco	30%
Jon Ed	23%	LTV	14%	Texas Ins	10%
Swan Zell	35%	Lockheed	17%	TWA	21%
Walt Wrt	19%	Macy	24%	U.S. Steel	38%
Yow Chem	33%	McDon-Doug	24%	West Union	19%
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Plan to use less fuel

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A plan to cut back the consumption of fuel by ten to 15 per cent is now being drawn up and will be ready within a few weeks, Yitzhak Mordechai, Minister of Energy and Infrastructure, yesterday told members of the Israel-American Chamber of Commerce and Industry. (Until he took up his cabinet appointment, he was president of the chamber; the newly elected president is Baruch Barak, of Tel Aviv.)

Today did not go into details, other than to say "the best way to produce energy in Israel was to save it." He had asked Prime Minister Begin to take a close look at the country's energy problem as seen from abroad — and he believed that as a result of this, Israel would soon embark on a campaign of "energy consciousness."

At present Israel was dependent solely on one type of fuel — petroleum. And despite much talk in the past, actual steps to provide for a

large reserve stored underground were lagging. This was crucial, since Israel's tankers were vulnerable to attacks on the high seas.

The most promising alternative to petroleum was a hydro-electric project, under which water would flow from the Mediterranean to the Dead Sea. However, since this would entail using part of the Jordan river bed, this could lead to political complications.

Next in line was the use of bituminous fuel from the Negev, with a project to mine it already underway near Arad.

The peat from the Hula Valley could also be used.

But most interesting was mining the "geo-thermic potentials" of the Jordan Rift, the largest such rift in the valley. It was possible to tap the heat underground here — once the technical problems were solved.

Israel could also use solar energy; the wind could also be harnessed, and a project to use algae was also under consideration.

Checking on Mekorot subsidiaries

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A committee will soon be set up by Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon to study ways of making two Mekorot subsidiaries more efficient.

The two are Building and Development, which will carry out projects valued at IL500m. in 1977/78, and Shalom (Electrical Engineering Services) which will carry out and supervise work valued at IL50m. in the coming fiscal year. Both are doing approximately the same amount of work in 1976/1977.

The companies were set up as part of Mekorot 13 years ago. Building and Development built pumping stations and other projects, and did development work. Once the project was finished, Shalom would move in to run it.

Since the work of Building and Development was largely seasonal, and to some extent also that of

Shalom, both companies began engaging in outside projects, often for the Ministry of Defence, the army, and the Public Works Department. This allowed them to maintain a steady work force, which for Building and Development now stands at 1,800, and for Shalom at 450. (Mekorot itself employs another 1,500 workers.)

Both subsidiaries would frequently be awarded contracts without tenders, since it was known that few private contractors had the desire or the equipment to do work in outlying sometimes dangerous areas.

The committee will investigate whether Mekorot should be made to issue work tenders in all cases.

Mekorot itself comes under the supervision of the Ministry of Agriculture since its shares are owned one-third by the Government, one-third by the National Institutions (like the Jewish Agency, the JNF) and one-third by Hevrat Ovdim.

Zigzag has new approach to glass insurance

Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE Zigzag Glass Insurance Company published its 1976 balance sheet last week, showing a profit before taxes of IL135,000 on a paid-up share capital of IL500,000. The company offers a novel type of glass insurance: it does not pay cash for damages, but undertakes to replace the broken glass.

Zigzag, a subsidiary of Menorah Insurance Co., has agreements with glaziers throughout the country. Its system of making good the damage in kind eliminates the risk to the insured of finding themselves underinsured. It also eliminates the effort involved in looking for a glazier and avoids disagreements about costs and delays in payment.

Weekly charter flights from Munich planned

Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE Industry, Commerce and Tourism Ministry announced this week that as of October a weekly charter flight

